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U.S. and Europe Dispute Lead Role in Aid to East

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service

BUDAPEST — The tensions between the United States and Western Europe over who should take the leading role in the rebuilding of the former Soviet bloc resurfaced Sunday as Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady said the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development was going beyond its mandate.

The London-based bank was established a year ago to provide market-rate loans and equity investments for Eastern Europe, mainly to foster private sector projects. Headed by Jacques Attali, a French philosopher-banker who is close to President François Mitterrand, it has already committed $770 million to 20 ventures.

But suggestions for an expansion of the bank's role into soft loans for long-term economic restructuring made by Mr. Attali and other European Bank officials gathering in Budapest for its first annual meeting met a blunt response from Mr. Brady.

"Soft loans would be a serious diversion of the European Bank's efforts," the U.S. Treasury secretary said. "That sort of thing is already being handled by the World Bank. There's absolutely no sense having all the international financial institutions trying to do the same thing."

Mr. Brady, who is attending the meeting, added: "The focus of this bank must remain what it was set up to do — helping the private sector in the East. Let Mr. Attali say whatever he wants. I want him to understand what we think. We've had our differences before and I assure you we're very determined about this."

The United States is the largest single contributor to the capital of the European bank, with a 10 percent share. But the institution has become heavily identified with Mr. Attali and his grandiose vision of a "continental common market" eventually embracing all the East European and ex-Soviet states.

U.S. officials traveling with Mr. Brady said they had seen an outline proposal for the bank to establish a separate soft-loan facility, particularly for the economic restructuring of the poorer republics of the former Soviet Union. All the republics, with the exception of Georgia, became bank members last month.

When the bank was set up a year ago, the Soviet Union was still intact. Its break-up has underlined the European Bank's chief dilemma: finding private enterprises to which market-rate loans may be made in areas where a private sector scarcely exists.

Mr. Attali could not be reached for comment. But officials close to him said that he believed the bank should be able to play a role in providing cash on concessional terms for the restructuring of economies in the former Soviet Bloc. Such restructuring could include the conversion of former arms industries.

This would be a departure from the bank's original mandate, which made no mention of any concessional loans and stated that the private sector must receive no less than 60 percent of the bank's resources.

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Among companies that have invested in Eastern Europe with financing from the bank are General Motors, Nestlé, and GEC Alsthom. In all, the bank's loans have led to an infusion of $2.6 billion of capital into Eastern Europe.

Mr. Brady said he was not surprised at the soft-loan facility suggestion. "Mr. Attali has a lot of energy," he said. "But he's human. Everybody can't do everything. We'd end up with no accountability."

Earlier this year, tensions between the United States and France surfaced over a conference organized in Washington by Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d to coordinate aid to the former Soviet bloc. The French said it was unnecessary.

Mr. Brady also rejected criticism of the $24-billion Western aid package to Russia announced last week by President George Bush. Dismissing suggestions that it was hasty and ill-prepared, he said it had been worked on for many months and agreed by all partners. He said the package would be followed by others smaller ones to former Soviet republics.



Marwan Naamani/Reuters

HEZBOLLAH REMEMBRANCE — Members of the pro-Iranian group Hezbollah, or Party of God, guarding Sheikh Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, a Shiite religious leader, center, and the group's secretary-general, Sheikh Hassan Nassrallah, on Sunday in Nabi Sheet, Lebanon. They marked the 40th day after the killing by Israel of the Hezbollah leader, Sheikh Abbas Musawi.

Hard-Liners Lose Ground In Iranian Elections

Backers of Rafsanjani Seem Likely to Capture Control of Parliament

By Elaine Sciolino
New York Times Service

TEHRAN — In a display of disenchantment with the radical goals of Iran's 13-year-old revolution, supporters of President Hashemi Rafsanjani appeared Sunday to be headed for a landslide victory against their anti-Western rivals in national parliamentary elections, according to early returns.

The exact composition of the 270-seat Majlis, or parliament, will not be determined until runoff elections are held in the next few weeks.

But with about 12 percent of the vote counted, the results of the first nationwide balloting since the death in 1989 of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the former Iranian spiritual leader, indicated that Mr. Rafsanjani's supporters would dominate the parliament.

The official Iranian press agency, IRNA, reported Sunday that 29 of the top vote-getters for the 30 seats from Tehran were representatives of the Society of Combatant Clergymen, a group that backs Mr. Rafsanjani. His supporters also dominated the polls in other cities throughout the country.

"This proves that President Rafsanjani's views are more or less accepted by the extreme majority of the people," said Sayed Rajaie-Khorassani, a parliamentary deputy who was running ninth in the voting in Tehran.

"Until now, he was in an awkward position because he was forced to accept a coalition government which by definition is always weak and inefficient," said Mr. Rajaie-Khorassani. "But his human perseverance and patience is paying off."

In Tehran, voters chose well-known personalities as well as political platforms.

Ayatollah Ali Akbar Hosseini, an apolitical, soft-spoken host of a popular television program called "Islam and the Family," for example, has so far received the most votes. The religious leader is particularly beloved by women and young people for his practical, nonjudgmental advice on how to live their lives.

The second-highest vote-getter was Ali Akbar Abuturaki, a cleric and former prisoner of war endorsed by both Mr. Rafsanjani and hard-line groups, who has been the government official charged with the welfare of freed POWs since he himself was liberated by Iraq in 1990.

Voters also chose candidates who had pressed for a more conciliatory foreign policy.

Mr. Rajaie-Khorassani, for example, has called for a restoration of relations with South Africa, Morocco and Egypt. And Mohammed Javad Larijani, a senior adviser to Mr. Rafsanjani who ranked seventh in the elections, has endorsed an improvement in relations with the United States.

But a victory for supporters of Mr. Rafsanjani is more likely to affect domestic economic policy rather than foreign policy, the Iranian foreign minister, Ali Akbar Velayati said in an interview.

"Really, we didn't have any important problems in promoting our foreign policy during the last Majlis," he said.

But as for economic reconstruction, he added, "the government needs the support of the Majlis."

"I think if the government of President Hashemi Rafsanjani has the strong support of the Majlis, it could expedite the process of reconstruction of the country," he said.

Since Mr. Rafsanjani was elected president in 1989, he has struggled to improve the standard of living of a population weary after eight

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Democrats Rallying to Clinton Despite Doubts About Candidacy

By Paul F. Horvitz
International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON — Aides and supporters of Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas sought over the weekend to consolidate his primary election gains, and there were signs that the candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination was making headway in closing party ranks.

More gains will be necessary, however, before Mr. Clinton secures the party nomination. There were also disquieting signs that many voters continue to be unenthusiastic about a Clinton candidacy in the fall.

The House speaker, Representative Thomas S. Foley of Washington, spoke to both issues in a broadcast interview on Sunday when he said: "The final processes of these somewhat bruising primaries have come to an end. It's perfectly natural there will be a little bit of nervousness. But it's also clear that all the dominos are falling in favor of Clinton."

Democratic voters in Virginia met Sunday on the second day of a three-day caucus process. Results from about 60 percent of the sessions showed Mr. Clinton leading with 53 percent, uncommitted delegates capturing 32 percent and 15 percent favoring the former California governor, Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr. The state sends 78 delegates to the national convention in July.

On Saturday, Mr. Clinton won the endorsement of the Democratic leader in the House, Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri, who ran for president in 1988. Mr. Clinton's aides hope his move will signal other Democrats in Congress to follow suit.

And in California, Mr. Brown for the first time said he would support Mr. Clinton if the party nominates him. Previously, Mr. Brown had avoided an unqualified endorsement if he should fail in his longshot effort to overtake Mr. Clinton.

The acrimony that characterized the primary election campaign in New York was absent from Mr. Brown's speech Saturday to the California Democratic Convention.

Mr. Clinton's aides are hoping that Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas, a respected party elder who was the Democrats' vice presidential candidate in 1988, will announce his endorsement this week.

The governor remained in the Arkansas capital, Little Rock, nursing a strained larynx, tending to state budget problems and preparing his campaign themes for the Pennsylvania primary on April 28. His campaign issued a statement

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U.S. Warns Baghdad On Disrupting U-2s

WASHINGTON (WP) — Brent Scowcroft, the White House national security adviser, said Sunday that he would not rule out military action against Iraq if it tried to prevent U-2 reconnaissance flights now being carried out under United Nations auspices.

Mr. Scowcroft said recent military preparations by Baghdad in northern Iraq, including new anti-aircraft missile emplacements, were "very ominous." The U-2 aircraft belong to the United States and are manned by Americans, but they display UN markings and monitor Iraq's weapons capabilities.

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Hong Kong's Bull Market in Optimism

By Sheryl WuDunn
New York Times Service

HONG KONG — The wire fence between Hong Kong and China is as sturdy as ever, but it no longer seems to be much of a barrier.

Telephone operators for Hong Kong may soon be based in China, and some citizens here are already finding that it would be cheaper to spend eternity in a burial plot in China.

With the growing integration of Hong Kong and Guangdong Province in southern China, an economic partnership is emerging that in the coming years may become a formidable force in Asia. Hong Kong is becoming the financial capital for southern China, and it sometimes seems that Hong Kong is taking over China instead of the other way around.

While many people in Hong Kong still worry deeply about China's plans to assume control over the territory beginning July 1, 1997, when Britain's 99-year lease expires, there is also a sparkle of hope with the growing recognition that the merger will create opportunities as well as dangers for Hong Kong.

That new burst of optimism has sent the local stock market rising about 25 percent since last fall, and real-estate prices have doubled in some residential areas in the last year and a half.

"Hong Kong is the prime driver of the greatest economic takeoff in world history," said William H. Overholt, executive director at Bankers Trust Co. in the territory. "It's much more important to China than New York is to the United States."

Such enthusiasm is far from universal, and the general improvement in the public mood — which was bleak long after the Tiananmen crackdown in June 1989 — may be fickle. Apprehension is certain to grow in the tense

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For Euro Disney, It's: 'C'mon Kids!'

By Barry James
International Herald Tribune

MARNE-LA-VALLEE, France — The $4 billion Euro Disneyland complex opened its gates to the paying public on Sunday after five years of planning and preparation that turned an expanse of flat fields east of Paris into a fantasy world and a marketing extravaganza.

"C'mon kids," said Mickey Mouse, beckoning an impatient crowd into the magic kingdom.

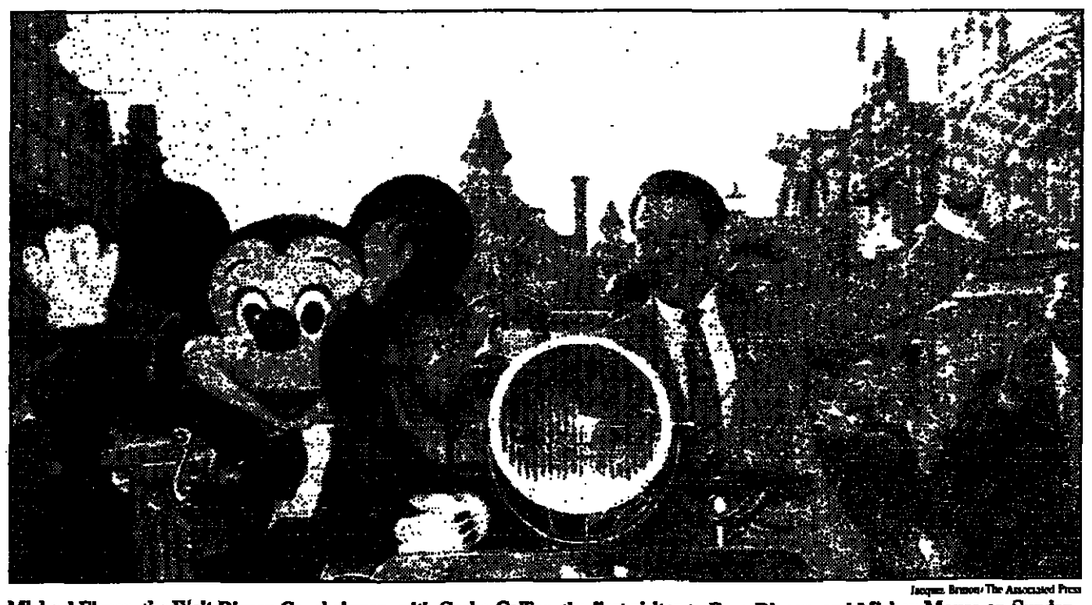
Disney executives expressed hope that the enchantment of children would soften the hearts of intellectuals who have decried the huge project as a cultural invasion.

"We know we are opposed by the Communists," said Michael Eisner, chairman and chief executive office of the parent Walt Disney Co. "But when we tried to find out who the intellectuals are, we found out that they are a very small minority. The vast majority of the French people seem to welcome us."

Perhaps because of government warnings of gridlock on the roads, or by a sudden turn to chill in the weather, the theme park was not overwhelmed by crowds and cars as had been feared. A strike on the new express suburban railroad that connects the park to the center of Paris also helped lessen the pressure on the inaugural day.

Nevertheless, Mr. Eisner said: "We are thrilled with our first day. All in

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Jacques Brinon/The Associated Press

Michael Eisner, the Walt Disney Co. chairman, with Gorka Gallier, the first visitor to Euro Disney, and Mickey Mouse on Sunday.

Party Seems Over For Chief Executives

By Steve Lohr
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — It used to be so easy, so civilized, more a social ritual than a chore. The members of the corporate board would fly in the night before, dine with their old friend, the chief executive, sharing after-dinner brandy and camaraderie.

Each director would receive a slender binder of briefing papers that, typically, got a cursory read before the formality of the board meeting the next morning. The chief executive called the tune, and the board hummed along.

"Those days of the corporate club are over," said Gerard Roche, chairman of Heidrick & Struggles, a big executive recruiter. "There's a lot more tension between the board and the chief executive today, but also a lot more communication."

"Things are going in a healthy but uncomfortable direction."

Robert C. Stempel, the chairman and chief executive of General Motors Corp., found out just how uncomfortable things can get at the giant automaker's board meeting in Dallas last Monday. He was removed as the head of the board's executive committee, a powerful advisory and decision-making forum, and he was replaced by an outside director, John G. Smale, the retired chief executive of Procter & Gamble Co.

Mr. Stempel remains GM's chief executive, the person responsible for the day-to-day running of the largest U.S. carmaker.

Yet, the abrupt move, accompanied by a board statement declaring the need for a "more aggressive management approach," was seen as a striking step by GM's outside directors to assert themselves and accelerate the pace of the streamlining at GM, whose North American car operations posted a loss of $7 billion last year.

It is but another in a series of recent cases in which boards or big investors have pressed well-known chief executives to do everything from slim down their pay packets to retire, and done so successfully.

Last month, the Chrysler Corp. board told Lee A. Iacocca that he could not stay on as chairman past his slated retirement date of Dec. 31, despite his appeals to the board for an extension. And the company reported last week that Mr. Iacocca took a 35 percent pay cut last year, to roughly $3 million in salary, stock and other compensation.

In February, after John F. Akers, the chairman of International Business Machines Corp., met with representatives of California's big public pension fund, the company said Mr. Akers would have his base salary cut 40 percent, to less than $1.6 million.

At Citicorp, the board urged John S. Reed, the chairman, to bring outsiders into the top ranks of the largest U.S. bank and onto its powerful management committee. At Sears, Roebuck & Co., once the largest retailer in the United States but a lackluster performer for years, Edward Brennan, who is

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The Latest in Dieting: Forget Twiggy, and Eat as You Please

By Molly O'Neill
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — To a growing number of diet-weary American women and to a vanguard of weight-loss professionals, the recent assessment of the National Institutes of Health confirmed something they already knew.

"Diets don't work," said Susan Wooley, director of the eating disorders clinic at the University of Cincinnati and a professor of psychiatry there. "Evidence suggests that weight-loss regimes do more harm than good."

Based on their own experience, emboldened by well-publicized findings suggesting that "yo-yo dieting" may be detrimental, and bolstered by recent government inquiries into the false advertising claims of some diet companies, a growing number of women are joining in an anti-diet movement.

They are forming support groups and ceasing to diet with a resolve similar to that of secretaries who 20 years ago stopped getting coffee for their bosses. Others have smashed their bathroom scales with the abandon that some women in the 1960s burned their bras.

"I had 50 women trashing their scales at City Hall in Huntington last spring," said Martha Zinger, a psychotherapist who specializes in weight loss in Dayton, Ohio, and formerly practiced in Huntington, West Virginia. The diet resisters in Huntington carried banners that said "Scales Are for Fish, Not for Women."

There was a similar demonstration in Toronto, and next month the Women's Therapy Center Institute in Manhattan is sponsoring a "Gala Benefit to Honor and Reclaim Women's Bodies and Appetites." Events are also planned in San Francisco and Boston.

Many of these women are supported by the anti-diet movement, which encourages people to stop weight-loss regimes, to eat in accord with their natural appetites and to make peace with their body size. This creed undermines the diet dogma that thin is good and fat is a physical and social impediment that individual vigilance can cure.

Although obesity researchers admit that weight loss is an inexact science, most are suspicious of the anti-diet movement.

"A preoccupation with weight loss could lead to an eating disorder," said Kelly Brownell, a professor of psychology at Yale University, whose research on "weight cycling" suggests that patients with the most

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In Europe, Volatile Voters and a Loss of Faith in Socialism

Stanley Hoffmann, chairman of the Center for European Studies at Harvard University, talked with Lawrence Malkin of the International Herald Tribune this weekend about the recent string of political surprises in Europe.

Q. Governing parties have been repudiated in Italy and France; the xenophobic right is rising in Germany, and now, quite against the trend, centrist Conservatives have been narrowly returned to power in Britain. What do these events have in common?

A. Nowhere do Socialists do very well. They have not recovered from the general loss of faith in a traditional *dirigiste*, welfare-state approach, and they haven't been able to find a substitute. Either people do not trust their ability to cope with unemployment or have found that they have failed to be able to do anything about it.

The English case is only different insofar as the lack of confidence in Socialists has helped the Tories, although I suspect the vote was more anti-Socialist than pro-Tory and even more a vote against Neil Kinnock. Britain's system is very much more presidential than it used to be, and Kinnock never succeeded in looking very statesmanlike.

One other thing that is clear all over Europe is the volatility of the electorate. Even in England, where it is clear that

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large numbers of people changed their votes at the last minute, there are large, unhappy, fluctuating populations. People are basically unhappy with the established parties, which have been there a long time, and they try to go from one to the other.

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Q. Once again Britain does not seem part of Europe but closer to America, just as it was when both countries had radical governments during the 1980s.

A. What is interesting about the American scene is that it seems to combine elements of both England and the Continent: England insofar as the opposition party doesn't seem to be able to excite a great deal of enthusiasm because of the people who lead it; and the Continent insofar as if you add the votes in America for Pat Buchanan, for Jerry Brown, and the potential votes for Ross Perot, you get a large number of people going in protest directions.

In the British electoral system there is not much possibility for protest, and in any case the Liberal Democrats are really an establishment party. But in both the United States and on the Continent there are a number of possibilities for expressing protest, which people are using.

Q. Is there is a predictive Anglo-Saxon political cycle: Kennedy-Wilson, Nixon-Heath, Wilson-Carter, Thatcher-Reagan — and now Major-Bush?

A. I don't put much stock in this. The strength of George Bush and John Major, but even more of Bush, is very largely the weakness of their opponents. What would have happened if the top Democrats hadn't decided a year ago that Bush was unbeatable? Now it's becoming a self-fulfilling prophecy, because if you put up your B-team, it is likely that Bush will indeed be unbeatable. But if they had put up somebody else — Bill Bradley, Mario Cuomo — Bush would have had a much harder time.

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Q. Narrow majorities as in Britain and possibly unstable coalitions on the Continent make for difficult governance. What implications does that have for trans-Atlantic relations? And for the movement toward European unification?

A. I don't think trans-Atlantic relations will be affected very much because I don't think anybody wants to rock the boat or provoke a major crisis. But Europe is another matter, and there will be a few very difficult years unless, if by some miracle, the economic situation picks up.

Q. In the United States we also face tradeoffs between short-term political advantage and long-term reform. What is your advice for the reform parties here and in Europe?

A. Precisely because of the personalization of power in all these countries, party platforms make less of a difference. No one really has very much leeway for a different economic and social policy, so personalities matter more. Parties should pay much more attention to whom they put in the lead.

In France, I am struck by the difference between the vote for the Socialist Party and the polls that favor Michel Rocard by up to 48 percent — 30 points more than his party. In Germany, whatever you might have thought about some of Helmut Schmidt's manners, he was a forceful leader as chancellor, and the Social Democrats have never really found a successor. There are also American Democrats who might not do all that badly against Mr. Bush, who is not the world's most brilliant politician.

So I would put more emphasis on finding somebody who can appeal to people by being dynamic and not sectarian, and who is capable of building a coalition rather than revamping a program, which seems an exercise in futility. It is not an age of ideological politics. The great weakness of some of the leaders has been not to provide people with any sense of guidance. People in periods of economic distress still want to be guided. Nowadays there is a real sense of drift and inadequacy, and that's why I would emphasize people much more than ideology.

IRA Violence Tests New U.K. Cabinet

By William E. Schmidt
New York Times Service

LONDON — Prime Minister John Major has chosen a new cabinet to take over a government once again confronting the brutal consequences of political terror — the carnage left in the aftermath of two powerful car bombs that exploded in different parts of London, shattering Britain's postelection reverie.

[Neil Kinnock, who led the opposition Labor Party to defeat, is expected to resign his post on Monday, British newspapers said Sunday. Several papers said Mr. Kinnock would be replaced by John Smith, the party's spokesman on economic affairs.

[A *MORI* opinion poll published by The Sunday Times concluded that 53 percent of Britons would prefer to see Mr. Smith leading the party. The pro-Labor Sunday Mirror said the party's number two, Roy Hattersley, would also step down. He was expected to be replaced by Margaret Beckett.]

Three people were killed and 91 wounded by the first of the car bombs, on Friday night, in which 100 pounds (45 kilograms) of explosives packed in a van were detonated in the heart of London's financial district.

The bomb, described as the most powerful explosion in London since World War II, left a 12-foot crater near the intersection of Leadenhall Street and St. Mary Axe. It caused widespread damage, spraying jagged glass over a wide area.

The Irish Republican Army acknowledged responsibility for the first explosion. It did not refer to a second car bomb that went off early Saturday in northwest London as police explosives experts looked on.

The officers, fearing that they had insufficient time to disarm the device, evacuated the area. The blast damaged bridges and buildings at one of the area's busiest intersections, the North Circular Road and Edgware Road, but no one was injured.

Mr. Major announced his cabinet late Saturday.

The prime minister retained several members of the cabinet he inherited from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher after she was ousted in a Conservative Party revolt 16 months ago. Among them were Douglas Hurd, who remains foreign secretary; Kenneth Clarke, who moves from education secretary to home secretary, and Malcolm Rifkind, who moves from transportation to defense secretary.

In addition, he named Michael Heseltine, who had been environment secretary, to be the head of a new and more powerful Department of Trade and Industry. Mr. Heseltine, a major Tory figure for years, was the prime mover in the revolt against Mrs. Thatcher.

Following is a complete list of the new cabinet:

Prime minister, first lord of the Treasury and minister for the civil service: John Major

Lord chancellor: Lord Mackay of Clashfern

Foreign secretary: Douglas Hurd

Chancellor of the Exchequer: Norman Lamont

Home secretary: Kenneth Clarke

Secretary of state for trade and industry: Michael Heseltine

Secretary of state for transport: John MacGregor

Secretary of state for defense: Malcolm Rifkind

Lord Privy Seal and leader of the House of Lords: John Wakeham

Lord president of the council and leader of the House of Commons: Tony Newton

Minister of agriculture, fisheries and food: John Gummer

Environment secretary: Michael Howard

Secretary of state for Wales: David Hunt

Secretary of state for social security: Peter Lilley

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster: William Waldegrave

Secretary of state for Scotland: Ian Lang

Secretary for national heritage: David Mellor

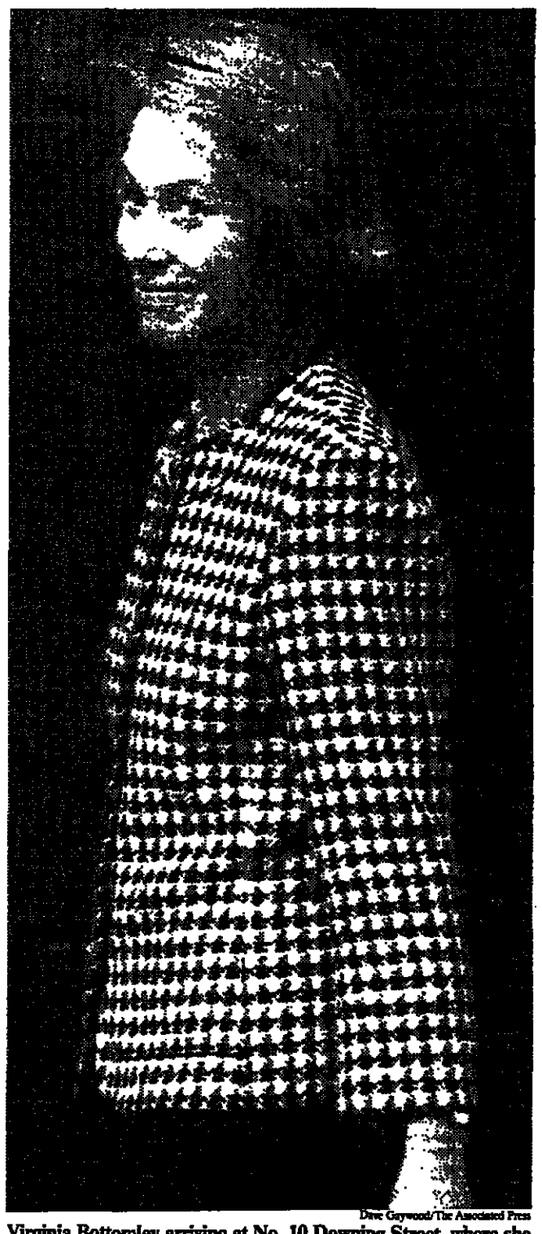
Secretary of state for Northern Ireland: Sir Patrick Mayhew

Education secretary: John Patten

Secretary of state for health: Virginia Bottomley

Secretary of state for employment: Gillian Shephard

Chief secretary to the Treasury: Michael Portillo



Dave Caywood/The Associated Press

Virginia Bottomley arriving at No. 10 Downing Street, where she was appointed health minister in John Major's new cabinet.

Clandestine Priests In Czechoslovakia Lose Vatican Status

By Burton Bollag
New York Times Service

PRAGUE — The Vatican has revoked the status of about 300 priests in Czechoslovakia who were secretly trained and ordained to keep the faith alive during the decades of Communist rule.

Men who served as clandestine priests were given until Sunday to present themselves to their local bishops. Those who are not married have been invited to apply for ordination, which will involve tests of their knowledge of church teachings and liturgy and possibly some *additional training*.

Underground priests who are married have been told that they must give up performing duties of the Roman Catholic priesthood, but may work as deacons, assisting other priests or teaching. Or they may apply for ordination in the Greek Catholic, or Uniate, Church, which is strongest in eastern Slovakia and allows married priests.

The ruling was delivered by the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the former *Holy Office, and the final arbiter* on questions of doctrine.

The Vatican's decision, which it said was based on doubts about the validity of the secret ordinations in Czechoslovakia, has been greeted with disappointment, and, in some cases, defiance, among those who were active in underground circles.

Many of those who accepted ordination as secret priests say they are being treated shabbily after years of personal sacrifice. While they took risks by tending to underground congregations, they say, some members of the official church were collaborating with the Communist authorities, and sometimes even acting as informants. The ordinations were carried out by underground bishops from the 1950s for up to 20 years.

Fridolin Zahradnik, an underground bishop and a married father of two, insisted that the married priests were ordained "on a valid basis" with the Vatican's approval.

The church "must live with the idea of being assisted by married priests," he said. He was permitted to do only manual labor during the Communist period because he was considered politically unreliable. He works as the director of social services in a town 80 miles (120 kilometers) east of Prague and spent six years in prison in the 1980s for his work in the underground church.

Most of the secret priests toiled by day as workers or professionals, ministering to small religious communities and hospitals in the evenings and on weekends. In light of the pressures of that double life, some say, it is only normal that some of them married.

But there appears to be no chance that the Vatican will reverse itself. Church law has required celibacy for priests since the Middle Ages, though the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Greek rite churches attached to Rome allow married men to enter the priesthood.

Several of the secretly ordained priests said they would continue to say Mass in defiance of the Vatican.

The Vatican decision was outlined in a pastoral letter that was read aloud last month in Catholic churches across Czechoslovakia. The church thanked the secret priests for their sacrifices but said a "double priesthood" could no longer exist.

The 300 underground priests back up about 3,000 official Catholic clergymen working in Czechoslovakia. Some estimates suggest that two-thirds of the country's 16 million people are Catholic, though the postwar legacy of religious repression leaves the figure open to dispute.

In a sharp dismissal of the sometimes revolutionary spirit that prevailed in the underground church, the congregation confirmed its absolute refusal to allow the ordination of women as priests. Several are believed to have been secretly ordained during four decades of Communist rule.

In the first decade after the Communist takeover in 1948, the Roman Catholic Church suffered harsh repression under a militantly atheistic government. Churches and monasteries were shut down, and many priests, bishops, monks, and nuns were jailed or sent to labor camps.

Restrictions were gradually loosened in the 1960s, but by then the underground church was well established. Recruitment expanded again after the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact invasion in 1968.

Catholic officials say the underground church operated during much of the Communist period with the Vatican's blessing, teaching catechism and tending to small parishes.

Rome saw the underground as a courageous counterbalance to the Communist state, which allowed only a trickle of entrants to the country's two Roman Catholic seminaries and sometimes jailed priests who said Mass in private homes. But by the early 1980s, with the gradual relaxation on religious activity, the Vatican began to grow uncomfortable with the Catholic underground's growing independence and began to criticize it publicly.

A smaller branch of underground priests in Czechoslovakia maintained closer links with the Vatican throughout the Commu-

Several of the secretly ordained priests say they will continue to say Mass in defiance of the Vatican.

nist years, and the Vatican has accepted their status as official. Trained secretly in Czechoslovakia, those 50 to 60 priests traveled to neighboring Poland or East Germany to be ordained by bishops there, including the then bishop of Krakow, Karol Wojtyla, who later was elected Pope John Paul II.

The Reverend Vaclav Maly, an officially ordained Catholic priest who was a leading dissident in *Communist times*, says he fears that the Vatican's decision could lead to "growing mistrust and even a split" among Roman Catholics in Czechoslovakia.

Church officials in Czechoslovakia said they were not rejecting the men from the underground. "The work of these priests is highly appreciated," said Miloslav Fiala, a spokesman for the Czech Bishops Conference. "But we must respect the normal conditions in which the church works."

On another subject that is clearly embarrassing to both the official and the underground church, Mr. Fiala said he knew of at least three women who say they were secretly ordained as priests during the Communist era. "Any acts performed by them are invalid," he said.

Ludmila Javorova served as vicar general to Felix Maria Davidek, the leading "bishop" of the underground church from the mid-1960s until his death shortly before the ouster of the Communist government in Czechoslovakia in the fall of 1989.

In an interview in her small apartment in a plain concrete housing block in the Moravian city of Brno, Ms. Javorova declined to confirm or deny reports that Bishop Davidek had ordained women as priests. "The time is not ripe to talk about that," she said.

But she went on to argue that the underground church was forced to forge nonconventional ways of working in its clandestine effort to insure the survival of the faith.

"The Vatican is judging the situation from the outside and according to its laws," she said. "But the laws didn't apply to our situation."

Truce Arranged in Bosnia-Herzegovina

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Leaders of Bosnia-Herzegovina's rival ethnic groups have agreed to a cease-fire in the former Yugoslav republic from midnight Sunday, the Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency said.

It said the agreement had been reached reached in talks involving Bosnia's Muslim, Croatian and Serbian leaders, and a European Community envoy, José Cutilheiro. The talks were aimed at ending fighting that has killed dozens of people in the last week.

The leaders of the Croatian, Serbian and Muslim Slav communities in the newly independent republic agreed to halt all militia fighting, to pull in their snipers and to abstain from bombarding Sarajevo and other towns, Mr. Cutilheiro said after the talks, which began Saturday.

All artillery pieces are to be put under the control of EC observers within 24 hours, and all paramilitary units are to be dissolved, he said in a statement broadcast by Radio Sarajevo.

Absent from the statement was the role of the Yugoslav Army in the cease-fire, which was announced hours after Yugoslav warplanes bombed southern Bosnia-Herzegovina, sending thousands fleeing the strife-torn republic.

Radio Sarajevo said the towns of Capljina and Neum, both mostly populated by Croats, had been bombed and strafed around dawn by warplanes of the Serbian-dominated Yugoslav military.

The radio said it had no information on casualties or damage from the air raids.

In the Croatian capital, Zagreb, the newspaper Vjesnik said about 40,000 Bosnian refugees were in Croatia.

Mr. Cutilheiro said that Muslim, Serbian and Croatian leaders had also agreed to move quickly to define borders for their communities within Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The three sides declared themselves "opposed to the conquest of any territory" by force.

And, said the envoy, the Muslim Democratic Action Party, the Serbian Democratic Party and the Democratic Croat Community agreed that their constituencies would be "equitably represented" on Bosnian television.

Mr. Cutilheiro arrived in Sarajevo on Friday for the talks with Muslims and Croats, who support Bosnia-Herzegovina's split from Yugoslavia, and with Serbs, who oppose independence.

"We have more hope," Radovan Karadzic, Bosnia's most prominent Serbian politician, said Sunday after meeting with Mr. Cutilheiro.

Mr. Karadzic, leader of the Serbian Democratic Party, said he and Mr. Cutilheiro had agreed on how to divide the republic into three autonomous ethnic zones, as discussed in talks sponsored by the European Community last month.

Muslim and Croatian leaders had no immediate comment on the talks.

Fighting raged on in the republic, recognized as an independent state last week by the European Community and the United States. But it was less intense than the last week's violence, in which dozens were killed, about a hundred injured and tens of thousands forced from their homes.

(Reuters, AFP)

Polish Chief's Shaky Sendoff

Woes Mount as Prime Minister Sets Out to Seek U.S. Aid

By Mary Battiata
Washington Post Service

WARSAW — Prime Minister Jan Olszewski begins a Washington visit Monday hoping to convince the West that Poland is back on track after slipping from the front rank of reforming countries earlier this year and shaking the confidence of its Western creditors.

Unfortunately for the prime minister, he left Poland on Sunday dogged by fresh signs of his government's fragility — evidence that economically, politically and even in his own cabinet, all is not yet well here.

Last week, Mr. Olszewski's young, rightist defense minister provoked an uproar by inviting television cameras into a meeting of the joint chiefs and announcing that unnamed senior politicians were plotting with senior military officers behind his back to "overthrow democracy with the aid of the army."

The defense minister's references to senior politicians were understood to point to President Lech Walesa. Since his appointment by Mr. Olszewski this year, Defense Minister Jan Parys has clashed repeatedly with Mr. Walesa over control of the army.

By week's end, Mr. Parys had gone on a two-week leave of absence, the prime minister had named a commission to contain the rift and Mr. Walesa was confirming reports that his staff had drawn up "routine" contingency plans should there ever be a need to impose martial law.

At minimum, the controversy is likely to undermine Mr. Olszewski's belated struggle to restore Western confidence in Poland's stability.

The Olszewski government took office in January promising to ease painful free-market changes and reflate the economy in hopes of slowing the growth of unemployment — now 12 percent — and pulling the country out of a steep recession.

Mr. Olszewski called his economic plan a "lifesaving change of course" that would allow Poland to continue a modified policy of economic change without risking an explosion of public anger.

Poland, once the leader in Eastern Europe's experiment with economic "shock therapy," soon fell behind Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Even Bulgaria has enacted a comprehensive plan to sell its state-owned companies, while Poland's privatization proposals languish in a deeply fragmented parliament.

Western investment also has trailed off as nationalists in parliament, in the Interior Ministry and elsewhere in Mr. Olszewski's government challenged several big foreign investment projects.

The Olszewski plan also drew warnings from the International Monetary Fund, which had already suspended disbursement of a $2.5 billion loan package in September, when the previous government overshot spending limits.

Confronted with the triple threat of hyperinflation, economic collapse and loss of confidence by Western creditors, the government shelved its economic program late last month and announced a return to the austerity policies of the two Solidarity governments.

Mr. Olszewski is going to the United States with a new finance minister, Andrzej Olechowski, a respected former foreign trade official and one-time World Bank employee, appointed six weeks ago.

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WORLD BRIEFS

Mitterrand Prepared to Share Power

PARIS (AP) — President François Mitterrand accepted responsibility on Sunday for his Socialist Party's defeats in two recent elections but suggested that a third defeat in parliamentary elections next spring would not make him step down.

Mr. Mitterrand, 75, said that his "capacity to govern France" would determine whether he saw his mandate to term in 1995 and that he was "fully prepared" to remain in office with an opposition Parliament.

In a broadcast interview, the president took the offensive with a plea for the new Europe outlined in the Maastricht accords, signed in December by the European Community. He announced that he would ask Parliament to approve constitutional revisions needed to ratify the accords. But he reserved the option of taking the issue to the people if legislators failed to agree. Mr. Mitterrand expressed hope the constitutional changes could be made by this summer, saying that there was no time to lose and that the matter must be concluded by year's end.

Seoul and Beijing Hold Talks on Ties

BEIJING (AP) — South Korea's foreign minister arrived Sunday for the first visit to China by a South Korean official of his rank, and diplomatic ties between the nations was a prime issue.

Foreign Minister Lee Sang Ock came to attend a United Nations gathering on economic development in Asia, but he also planned to meet with Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, to discuss normalizing relations between China and South Korea.

Political differences kept China and South Korea at odds for decades. China was one of the chief backers of North Korea after the Korean Peninsula was divided after World War II, but it gradually has upgraded trade relations with South Korea since 1986.

Lava Jumps Barrier Near Sicily Town

ZAFFERANA ETNEA, Sicily (AP) — A stream of lava from Mount Etna that has been crawling forward for months spilled over a second earthen barrier early Sunday and approached this village, officials said.

The smoking black lava from Europe's most active volcano came within 20 meters (60 feet) of a house in the woods at the edge of the town of 7,000 people, local officials said. The occupants, helped by Italian soldiers, rushed boxes of household goods into their car.

The Italian military sent dozens of trucks to help evacuate other residents if necessary. Fog kept helicopters from carring Italian military experts to the mountainside Sunday morning to destroy with explosives a lava tunnel that was speeding the flow.

Italy's Cossiga Threatens to Resign

ROME (Reuters) — President Francesco Cossiga has threatened to step down in an attempt to pressure party leaders who are still struggling to give birth to a new coalition government a week after general elections.

Mr. Cossiga, in a newspaper interview published Sunday, said his resignation "would put in my place a man able to exercise the guiding role which I cannot have as I am reaching the end of my mandate."

The governing coalition led by the Christian Democrats won less than 50 percent in the polls last week. Since then, contacts among parties and consultations begun by Mr. Cossiga, whose choice of prime minister must be endorsed by parliament, have failed to produce a government. Unlike Mr. Cossiga, whose mandate ends in July, a new president would have the power to dissolve parliament and force new elections. If Mr. Cossiga does resign, he is expected to do so by April 23, when the parliament meets.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Pittsburgh transit employees agreed Saturday to obey a court order to return to work Monday morning, ending a strike that halted the city's buses and trolleys. Union members walked off the job March 16 over wages and pensions. Contract talks were to resume Monday. *(AP)*

Philippine airports resumed normal operations Sunday, more than a week into a national strike by controllers. Transportation Secretary Pete Nicomedes Prado said in Manila. Last week, he dismissed nine strike leaders and urged the rest of the 320 strikers to return to work unconditionally. The government drafted controllers' supervisors and air force personnel to handle the strikers' duties. *(AFP)*

This Week's Holidays

Banking and government offices will be closed or services curtailed in the following countries and their dependencies this week because of national and religious holidays:

MONDAY: Burma, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Uruguay.

TUESDAY: Burma, Haiti, Honduras, Thailand, Uruguay.

WEDNESDAY: Bangladesh, Burma, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Niger, Uruguay.

THURSDAY: Andorra, Argentina, Brazil, Burma, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, El Salvador, Finland, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, Mexico, Nicaragua, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Spain, Sri Lanka, Uruguay, Vatican City, Venezuela.

FRIDAY: Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Britain, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Gibraltar, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hong Kong, Iceland, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Macao, Madagascar, Malawi, Malta, Mexico, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tanzania, Uganda, Uruguay, Vatican City, Venezuela, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

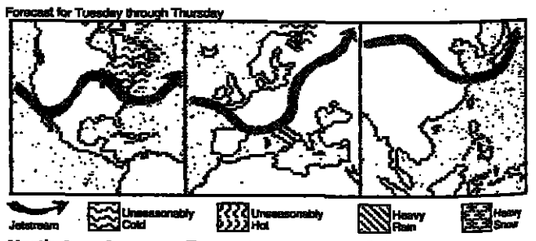
SATURDAY: Australia, Botswana, Brazil, Chile, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Israel, Macao, Malawi, Mexico, Monaco, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Uganda, Vatican City, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

SUNDAY: Israel.

Source: J.P. Morgan, Reuters

The Weather

Forecast for Tuesday through Thursday



North America
Fine, dry weather is in store from the Ohio River to the Gulf, and to the Atlantic where New York City will be chilly Tuesday. The Great Lakes region will be cloudier with some rain. A few showers are likely in northern California Tuesday.

Europe
Showery weather along with gusty winds are a good bet Tuesday in Britain, and from western France to Germany by Wednesday. Scandinavia will stay unsettled and chilly through midweek. Warming sunshine is slated for Spain.

Asia
Korea and Japan will be cool with a few mainly brief showers. Tokyo may be rainy and chilly Wednesday. Shanghai and Beijing will remain dry. Clouds will limit sun in Hong Kong. A thunderstorm may briefly cool steamy Singapore and Manila.

Europe

	Today High	Today Low	Wx	Tomorrow High	Tomorrow Low	Wx
	C/F	C/F		C/F	C/F	
Algarve	23/73	11/52	s	22/71	12/53	pc
Amsterdam	12/53	4/39	r	11/52	5/41	sh
Athens	17/62	6/43	sh	17/62	7/44	sh
Athens	21/70	11/52	sh	22/71	11/52	pc
Barcelona	22/71	10/50	pc	21/70	9/48	pc
Belgrade	19/66	7/44	pc	17/62	8/46	sh
Berlin	13/55	7/44	r	11/52	7/44	sh
Brussels	14/57	4/39	sh	12/53	4/39	sh
Budapest	19/66	6/43	c	15/59	8/46	sh
Copenhagen	8/46	1/34	r	7/44	1/34	sh
Costa Del Sol	24/75	12/53	s	24/75	13/55	pc
Dublin	8/46	2/35	sh	7/44	1/34	sn
Edinburgh	9/48	4/39	r	7/44	1/34	r
Florence	19/66	6/46	s	20/68	9/48	pc
Frankfurt	15/59	7/44	r	12/53	6/43	sh
Geneva	19/66	9/48	sh	14/57	7/44	c
Helsinki	3/37	-1/31	r	2/35	-3/26	sn
Istanbul	16/61	7/44	sh	16/61	6/46	pc
Las Palmas	25/77	16/61	s	24/75	14/57	pc
Lisbon	22/71	11/52	s	20/68	11/52	sh
London	10/50	3/37	sh	9/48	2/35	sh
Madrid	23/73	9/48	pc	22/71	10/50	pc
Milan	18/64	7/44	pc	17/62	8/46	c
Moscow	13/55	4/39	sh	13/55	6/43	r
Munich	13/55	7/44	r	10/50	4/39	r
Nice	20/68	8/46	pc	20/68	11/52	pc
Oslo	4/39	0/32	r	3/37	-1/31	sl
Paris	13/55	6/43	sh	11/52	4/39	sh
Prague	17/62	8/46	r	13/55	6/46	sh
Reykjavik	6/43	0/32	pc	6/43	0/32	r
Rome	19/66	10/50	pc	21/70	9/48	pc
St. Petersburg	1/30	-1/31	r	4/39	1/34	sn
Stockholm	4/39	0/32	r	3/37	-2/29	sl
Strasbourg	15/59	6/46	sh	12/53	7/44	sh
Tallinn	4/39	-1/31	r	2/35	-1/31	sn
Venice	18/64	9/48	pc	17/62	7/44	pc
Vienna	17/62	7/44	c	14/57	7/44	sh
Warsaw	14/57	6/43	r	12/53	7/44	sh
Zurich	18/64	7/44	sh	12/53	7/44	r

Middle East

Beirut	22/71	8/46	sh	22/71	9/46	sh
Cairo	28/78	13/55	pc	27/80	12/55	sh
Damascus	24/75	5/41	pc	25/77	6/43	sh
Jerusalem	24/75	6/41	pc	22/71	7/44	sh
Riyadh	31/88	14/57	s	30/86	12/53	pc

Oceania

Auckland	18/64	13/55	pc	18/64	12/53	pc
Sydney	19/66	14/57	pc	21/70	10/61	pc

Asia

	Today High	Today Low	Wx	Tomorrow High	Tomorrow Low	Wx
	C/F	C/F		C/F	C/F	
Bangkok	37/99	27/80	pc	36/97	27/80	pc
Beijing	17/62	7/44	sh	16/61	8/46	pc
Hong Kong	23/73	17/62	pc	24/75	19/64	pc
Manila	33/91	24/75	pc	33/91	24/75	t
New Delhi	31/88	17/62	pc	32/89	17/62	pc
Seoul	14/57	11/52	pc	11/52	6/43	r
Shanghai	17/62	12/53	s	17/62	11/52	pc
Singapore	32/89	25/77	pc	33/91	26/79	t
Taipei	22/71	17/62	pc	22/71	17/62	pc
Tokyo	14/57	4/39	pc	12/53	7/44	r

Africa

Algiers	21/70	10/50	s	20/68	11/52	pc
Cape Town	28/82	14/57	pc	27/80	13/55	pc
Casablanca	19/66	10/50	s	19/66	10/50	pc
Harare	22/71	10/50	pc	24/75	11/52	pc
Lagos	31/88	17/62	pc	31/88	17/62	pc
Nairobi	27/80	14/57	sh	28/82	14/57	pc
Tunis	22/71	11/52	pc	21/70	11/52	pc

Latin America

Buenos Aires	25/77	8/46	pc	26/78	9/48	pc
Caracas	29/84	17/62	pc	29/84	17/62	pc
Lima	26/84	20/68	pc	29/84	20/68	pc
Mexico City	25/77	12/53	pc	27/80	11/52	pc
Rio de Janeiro	30/86	22/71	pc	30/86	22/71	pc
Santiago	21/70	9/48	pc	20/68	11/52	pc

North America

Anchorage	0/32	-12/10	pc	2/35	-9/16	pc
Atlanta	20/68	10/50	s	23/73	13/55	s
Boston	8/46	0/32	s	7/44	0/32	s
Chicago	9/48	3/37	pc	13/55	6/43	sh
Denver	24/75	8/46	pc	25/77	7/44	pc
Detroit	7/44	-4/25	s	7/44	-3/27	pc
Honolulu	28/82	20/68	pc	28/82	20/68	pc
Houston	26/78	17/62	t	26/78	18/64	s
Los Angeles	22/71	13/55	pc	23/73	14/57	s
Miami	29/84	22/71	t	27/80	21/70	s
Minneapolis	6/43	-2/25	sh	13/55	6/43	c
Montreal	3/37	-5/23	pc	1/34	-7/20	s
Nassau	27/80	20/68	sh	28/82	16/61	sh
New York	11/52	1/34	s	11/52	2/35	s
Phoenix	33/91	18/64	s	33/91	18/64	s
San Fran.	19/66	12/53	pc	19/66	11/52	s
Seattle	16/61	8/46	sh	17/62	9/46	pc
Toronto	3/37	-3/27	pc	6/43	-2/29	s
Washington	13/55	3/37	s	14/57	3/37	pc

Legend: s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sl-snow flurries, sn-snow, fog.

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Belgian King Is Home After Operation in Paris

Reuters

BRUSSELS — Baudouin, king of the Belgians, has returned to Lacken Castle after heart surgery in Paris, the palace said Saturday.

The king, 60, underwent surgery to repair a defective heart valve in March, less than a year after a prostate cancer operation. The palace said he was recovering well.

AMERICAN TOPICS

Statues of Lenin: Just 'a Lot of Bronze'

A New York art dealer who imported a couple of statues of Lenin from the Soviet Union for a song is offering them for sale, but so far has not had an offer that would defray his shipping expenses.

"It's a lot of bronze," says Paul Judelson of his two 15-foot (4.5-meter) Lenins manufactured at the state Plant of Art Castings in St. Petersburg but, overtaken by events, never delivered to the Soviet entities that commissioned them.

Mr. Judelson said he bought them to save examples of the Socialist Realist style from obliteration. He would not say how much he paid. He said he had received dozens of offers, none of them high enough. One came from a theme park in Dogpatch, Arkansas, devoted to cast-off metal monuments.

About People

The columnist William F. Buckley Jr. notes that H. Ross Perot, with a fortune estimated at $3 billion, has offered to put as much as $100 million into a presidential campaign if he decides to run. This is about 3 percent of his capital worth, "which is about one-half of what that worth regenerates in one year, which means he'd be richer on election day than he is now, even having spent that money."

John Goodman, the actor who plays Roseanne Barr Arnold's husband on television, has the title role in "The Babe," a new film about Babe Ruth. Ruth was heavy, but Mr. Goodman is heavier still and had to lose 60 pounds (37 kilograms) to play the role. Speaking of weight, the Los Angeles Times says that one of baseball's enduring myths is that the New York Yankees adopted their traditional pinstripes to minimize Ruth's girth. In fact, the Yanks began wearing pinstripes in 1912, eight years before Ruth joined the team.

Short Takes

Over objections from many physicians, the Florida legislature has passed a bill prohibiting doctors from sending patients to clinics in which the doctors have a financial interest. Other states are considering similar laws. The aim is to curb conflicts of interest and to control health costs. But many doctors say that when they own such equipment they can better control the quality of care.

Inner-city schoolchildren in Detroit are getting a new role model every day — a volunteer from business, the professions or the arts who comes and tells what school did for him or her. In the last 15 months, the "Impact Seminars" program has recruited about 300 speakers, nearly all of them black, for five middle schools. "We hope that by flooding the schools with successful adults," a spokesman said, "we can shift the peer pressure and the psychology toward valuing education." Moreover, "the commitment for any one speaker is so small that nobody can say they don't have the time." Even so, "virtually all of our speakers are eager to repeat."



The Associated Press

TUNNEL VISION — A New York subway policeman testing night-vision goggles — developed for use on battlefields at night — to be used by the transit police in the subway's darker regions.

At 50, 'Casablanca' Returns to Theaters

"Casablanca" is being re-released 50 years after it won the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1942.

The director, Michael Curtiz, and script writers, Julius and Philip Epstein and Howard Koch, also won Oscars.

For the anniversary, The New York Times has recalled lines from a script with "more remembered dialogue than just about any other motion picture":

"Here's looking at you, kid" — Humphrey Bogart's toast to Ingrid Bergman.

"I'm shocked — shocked! — to find that gambling is going on here" — Claude Rains, the corrupt Vichy French police chief, as he pockets his winnings from the roulette wheel in Rick's café.

"Round up the usual suspects" — Rains to his underlings.

"I'm not good at being noble, but it doesn't take much to see that the problems of three little people don't amount to a hill of beans in this crazy world" — Bogart to Bergman.

"We'll always have Paris" — Bogart's farewell to Bergman.

The words, "Play it again, Sam," do not occur.

Bergman tells Dooley Wilson, the pianist at Rick's café: "Play it, Sam. Play 'As Time Goes By.'"

Later, a melancholy Bogart commands: "You played it for her. You can play it for me. If she can stand it, I can. Play it!"

Arthur Higbee

As Democracy Falls, Peru's Rebels Gain

By Eugene Robinson
Washington Post Service

LIMA — By the time the tanks rolled last week, Peru's government institutions had fallen into such a state of collapse and become so irrelevant to most Peruvians that the Shining Path insurgents, once little more than a bizarre sideshow, were being viewed by local analysts and United States policymakers as a real threat to the survival of the state.

Now that democracy has been suspended, many of these experts say, the threat is even more serious.

"You're not just playing away our institutions," said the economist and former government adviser Hernando de Soto of President Alberto Fujimori's decision to suspend the constitution, shut down Congress and rule by decree. Also at stake, he said, is "who's going to win this war in the end."

The prospect of a Shining Path victory, even if some still consider it remote, raises fears of a genocidal bloodbath. Fanatical and uncompromising, the insurgents are often compared to the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia under Pol Pot, whose rule in the 1970s led to more than a million deaths.

While most political leaders here attack Mr. Fujimori's move, they acknowledge that the public support he has received — some polls give him more than 70 percent support — owes to the fact that most Peruvians have long considered their government at best useless, at worst a millstone.

Peruvian judges routinely earned 5 or 10 times more in bribes than in salary. Army generals lived comfortably off insider business deals while recruits went without food and decent boots. Bureaucrats charged for processing routine paperwork. Police officers extorted money from merchants, street vendors and motorists as a matter of course.

The three-quarters of the population living in extreme poverty saw their incomes plunge in recent years. Millions of urban poor live in shanties made of scavenged bricks, worm-eaten boards or grass mats. In the countryside, most peasants do not own their land and have no way to obtain title, meaning they have no access to credit or aid programs.

The issue of race festers just below the surface: The white elite lives in relative luxury, the brown-skinned majority sinks deeper into despair.

Some U.S. officials worry that the situation will worsen without democratic institutions to shape and constrain the battle against Shining Path.

The major fear is that Shining Path will grow politically, winning new converts and support.

Over the past 12 years, Shining Path has grown from a small, ultraleftist sect based in the Andean city of Ayacucho into a spreading insurgency that led the government to place about half the country under a state of emergency.

Although there are believed to be fewer than 5,000 full-time armed fighters, U.S. officials believe the group has at least 25,000 active supporters.

Nearly 25,000 people have been killed by political violence since Shining Path's war against the Peruvian state began.

In Lima, the rebels have combined political agitation in the shantytowns around the city with a terror campaign aimed especially at institutions that represent the interests of the poor.

Last fall, guerrillas killed a woman who ran a feeding program in a working-class slum. On Feb. 15, they shot and killed the popular vice mayor of Villa El Salvador, Lima's largest shantytown, and then dynamited her body as friends and family looked on in horror.

A string of incidents like these has changed the atmosphere. Shining Path failed in its first two "armed strikes" in Lima — attempts to shut down the city for a day through intimidation. But the third, called for last Feb. 14, was a success.

The political violence thrives amid a society whose institutions, by almost all accounts, are failing.

"The corruption is something we all see, we all live, every day," Mr. de Soto said.

The courts are so inefficient that bribes are the only practical way to obtain prompt action. Through intimidation or incompetence, the courts have been releasing guerrilla suspects almost as fast as they are arrested.

The armed forces, until recently, had a better public image. But a retired army colonel who remains in touch with active-duty officers said there had been anger in the lower ranks over low salaries. Equipment is scarce and morale low. When Shining Path invaded the provincial seat of Puquio several weeks ago, soldiers at an anti-guerrilla army base on the outskirts of town did not leave their barracks.

Such institutional breakdown has already robbed the government of much of its legitimacy, especially in the eyes of the poor majority. Some critics of Mr. Fujimori's action say he has finished the job.

On Noriega Jury: Prayers, Hymns, Pleas

By William Booth and Michael Isikoff
Washington Post Service

MIAMI — Jurors trying Manuel Antonio Noriega wept, prayed, sang gospel hymns and pleaded with a lone holdout to agree on a guilty verdict during a four-day ordeal that one juror described as a highly emotional battle of wills.

The holdout adamantly believed that the ousted Panamanian leader was not guilty of drug and racketeering charges, while another wavered, struggling for two days to find "the missing links" that would tie Mr. Noriega to the kingpins of Colombia's Medellin drug network, according to one of the jurors, Jean Hallisey.

Recounting the 35 hours of deliberations during an interview in North Miami Beach, Ms. Hallisey, 63, a business executive, said the panel was so exhausted and frustrated by the stalemate that the foreman, Lester Charlie Spencer, considered telling Judge William M. Hoeveler of U.S. District Court that there was no hope of unanimity.

"It almost happened," said Ms. Hallisey, speaking of a possible mistrial in the seven-month case had the deadlock not been broken. "They wanted to get up and walk out. I said: 'The whole world is waiting for this verdict. President Bush is waiting for this verdict. How can you say you want to go home?' "

Another juror, Thelma Sturdivant, a retired car mechanic, said, "There was one little moment that I could say we were close to a mistrial, not from my personal point of view but because there was somebody who had trouble understanding what was going on with the law."

Ms. Hallisey identified the holdout as Bernadine Cooper and said that several of the eight other women and three men on the jury worked to persuade Ms. Cooper that Mr. Noriega did allow the Medellin cartel to operate freely in Panama.

At one point, Ms. Hallisey said, several female jurors prayed with Ms. Cooper in the Everglades Hotel where the jury was sequestered during deliberations.

"She was voting not guilty on everything," Ms. Hallisey said of Ms. Cooper, who could not be reached for comment.

Ms. Hallisey said that another juror, James Michael Hogan, 31, a laid-off fire protection officer at a nuclear power plant, was also leaning toward a not guilty verdict.

Mr. Hogan declined to discuss details of the deliberation, but, in a handwritten statement, said: "I would like to address the misconception that there was a holdout juror. I can assure you there was not. There were some points which many of us questioned, and therefore asked his honor for more information and guidance."

At one point, Ms. Hallisey said, the vote on the most serious counts against Mr. Noriega was deadlocked at 10 to 2 for conviction, a stalemate that threatened to result in a mistrial. This would have meant that the government might have to retry the case.

The jury of nine blacks, two whites and a Filipino American had to sift through six months of testimony by 79 witnesses, most of them Colombians and Panamanians testifying in Spanish. Listening to English translations, jurors took copious notes in green notebooks provided by the court.

When the jurors began voting, Ms. Hallisey said, they unanimously opted for acquittal on what they considered the weakest of the 10 counts: two charges dealing with an attempt to smuggle cocaine into the United States aboard a vessel called the Krill and distribute it.

As deliberations continued, jurors said, a consensus began to emerge that Mr. Noriega was guilty of the other charges.

But Ms. Cooper would not change her mind. On Tuesday, Ms. Hallisey drafted the note to Mr. Hoeveler that read in part: "Apparently, there is a juror who testified that their mind was made up two days ago before entering this room. We are deadlocked. We feel we are wasting time."

The note alarmed prosecutors and, in a court hearing, Judge Hoeveler implored jurors to try harder. After deliberations resumed, Ms. Hallisey said, attention turned to Ms. Cooper. Ms. Sturdivant said the foreman kept reading the indictment and Judge Hoeveler's instructions to the jury over and over again until he could barely speak.

According to Ms. Hallisey, Ms. Cooper finally yielded Thursday, saying something like: "I see what it's all about. I understand. He was really wrong. That man should go to prison."

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Herman Mark Is Dead at 96, Leader in Polymer Chemistry

New York Times Service

Dr. Herman F. Mark, 96, a chemist who was a leader in research on polymers, giant long-chain molecules used in plastics and other materials affecting nearly all facets of life, died April 6 in Austin, Texas, after a brief illness. He moved to Texas from New York, where he had been dean emeritus of Polytechnic University, two years ago.

For more than 75 years, Mr. Mark was in the forefront of polymer chemistry. Polymers, which can be both natural and manmade, are used in materials such as plastics, fibers and films, as well as biological chemicals and materials.

Mr. Mark wrote more than 600 research papers and about 40 books on polymer chemistry. He was the recipient of scores of medals and honorary degrees.

Gale McGee, 77, Former Wyoming Senator

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gale McGee, 77, a Wyoming Democrat who served nearly 20 years in the Senate and who also was chief delegate to the Organization of American States, died Thursday of pneumonia in Bethesda, Maryland.

He was born in Norfolk, Nebraska, and taught history for 20 years, including more than a decade as professor of American history at the University of Wyoming. He won his first U.S. Senate term in 1958 in his initial bid for public office, upsetting the incumbent, Frank A. Barrett.

Earl Bernard Doolin, 86, a co-founder of Frito Co., died April 1 in Athens, Texas, of a stroke and a heart attack. Mr. Doolin, his brother Elmer and their parents, Charles Bernard and Daisy Dean Doolin, popularized corn chips, which they adapted from a recipe they had bought from a restaurant worker for $100.

Daniel Bovet, 85, a Swiss-born pharmacologist who discovered the first antihistamine and who was awarded the Nobel Prize in Medicine in 1957, died Wednesday of cancer in Rome.

John Cherberg, 81, who served as Washington state's lieutenant governor through five governors and nearly one-third of the state's history, died Wednesday after a long illness.

Sam Kinison, 38, a former tent preacher who gained fame as a shrieking and often insulting stand-up comedian, was killed Friday night in a head-on automobile crash near Needles, California.

Konstantin Sergeyev, 83, a dancer, choreographer and former director of the Kirov Ballet, died April 1. The report in the St. Petersburg Gazette did not give a cause of death.

Alejandro Obregon, 72, a Colombian painter known for huge canvases influenced by the violence of his country, died of a brain tumour Saturday in Cartagena, Colombia.

Erik Werba, 73, a classical pianist and accompanist, died Thursday at his home in Modling, south of Vienna. Der Standard reported Sunday in Vienna.

DISNEY: *'C'mon Kids!' Says Mickey, as French Theme Park Welcomes Its First Guests*

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all, it is the most successful opening we ever had."

In line with Disney's policy, Mr. Eisner declined to say how many people showed up. He said that the fact that waiting times for popular rides were well within Disney's standard of 50 minutes was a tribute to how well the park was working.

The Disney company forecasts attendance of 11 million in the first year, or an average of more than 30,000 a day. The park has an estimated capacity of 50,000 to 60,000. In a series of rehearsal days over the past week, the park has received up to 40,000 invited guests. It has hired 14,000 employees, known as "cast members," almost 70 percent of whom are French.

The gates were opened at 8 A.M., an hour earlier than planned, to admit the first few thousand families. Mr. Eisner presented a lifetime pass to the first family to buy a ticket: Serge Gallier, 39, his wife Malssa, 40, and their son Gorka, 7.

Heeding the warnings of huge traffic jams, they had left their home at Villepinte in suburban Paris at 5:20 A.M., arriving at the park at 5:45 A.M.

Accompanied by a marching band, Mr. Eisner drove the couple in a red fire truck to Sleeping Beauty's castle at the heart of the theme park, where he unveiled a plaque bidding "to all who come to this happy land, welcome."

An orchestra played, a children's choir sang "It's a Small World," soldiers in medieval dress lined the ramparts and fireworks thundered in the sky as the familiar Disney cartoon characters waved from a balcony.

On Saturday night, the park was given over to a televised entertainment spectacular that featured stars such as Cher, the Gypsy Kings, Gloria Estefan, the Temptations, the Four Tops, Tina Turner and José Carreras.

Not everyone was enchanted by the Disney magic. Villagers at nearby Meaux protested the thundering of fireworks and the incessant whistling of the train that circles the park. Opponents hurled paint at direction signs leading to the park and stuck up anti-Disney posters. One small group held up placards outside the theme park entrance accusing Disney of land speculation.

Saboteurs blew up a pylon a few miles from the site in what may have been a protest of the Disney presence. Police said it did not cut power supplies to the park. At about the time of the explosion, a momentary outage of power disrupted one of the main attractions — a space ride called Star Tours, which is based on computer-driven flight simulators.

Disney officials said they were confident that the dissent would evaporate as the theme park gained in popularity.

"I'm relieved that I can quit trying to describe this mammoth project to those unfamiliar with the Disney form of entertainment and let them experience it for themselves," said James Cora, executive vice president of Disney, S.A.

Recent developments in computer, hologram, robotics and other technologies help give some of the attractions greater realism than those in the American parks, Disney officials said. Computer engineers teamed up with medical specialists to create automatons that are virtually indistinguishable from real people.

Another ride, Pirates of the Caribbean, pitches waterborne spectators into the midst of a battle with blazing cannons and cutlass-wielding buccaneers.

On Big Thunder Mountain, gold rush trains carry passengers on a white-knuckle ride across an artificial mountain 36.5 meters (120 feet) high as paddlewheel steamboats ply the artificial lake below.

In the Phantom Manor, ghosts materialize from thin air. Boats carry passengers past the singing dolls of "a small world," Euro Disney's most saccharine production.

Because of the grey climate in the Ile-de-France and frequent rain — upwards of 150 days a year — the theme park is painted in brighter colors than its counterparts in the United States, and walkways and waiting areas are covered.

Mr. Eisner said he did not believe that the weather would deter visitors. In America the visitors look for air conditioning, he said, while here they would seek out blazing fireplaces. But otherwise, there was no difference.

Along with the park, Euro Disneyland opened six hotels, each with a separate American theme.

Theme parks in Europe have not been a big success, and a shaky market in Disney shares, which fell 15 percent in recent days, reflected concern about Disney's ability to achieve its performance targets.

But Mr. Eisner said Disney would succeed because Walt Disney "had built a better mouse trap."

He quickly corrected himself to say "a better mouse."

IRAN: *Hard-Liners Lose Ground in National Elections*

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years of war and to expand ties to the outside world.

But until now, the faction that adheres strictly to the pure revolutionary ideas of the late Ayatollah Khomeini has wielded enough power in the Majlis to block Mr. Rafsanjani's efforts to revive the crippled economy by supporting a market economy, more foreign investment and the use of foreign loans and expertise.

The clearest rejection of the so-called hard-line faction was the poor showing of Mahdi Karrubi, the speaker of the Majlis, who was one of the most vocal proponents of large-scale government intervention in the economy. Mr. Karrubi, a cleric, was in 36th place in the balloting. The hard-liner who received the most votes was Ayatollah Mohammed Tavassoli, a well-known cleric who served as the head of Ayatollah Khomeini's office. He ranked 29th.

Ali Akbar Motashemi, a deputy who promoted exporting Iran's revolution as Minister of the Interior and who is a bitter rival of Mr. Rafsanjani's, so far ranks 40th. Mousavi Khoeniha, a clerical deputy who helped mastermind the seizure of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran in 1979, is listed at 37th.

Mr. Rafsanjani's supporters were expected to win a majority of the parliamentary seats, but the preliminary results indicated that his policies and programs have wider appeal than was previously known.

Although he is expected to continue to push his economic program, it is impossible to gauge how quickly he is prepared to move.

"This was a stronger swing than was expected and the vote should mean that he'll have an easier ride," said a diplomat who has followed Iran since before the revolution.

"But the question is how fast he wants to go," the diplomat said. "There is a danger that people in the West will conclude that Rafsanjani has suddenly thrown off his robes and become a Western liberal welcome in the salons of Paris. That simply is not true."

It will take several days before the final results of the first round are known. Even then, the vast majority of the vote-getters will have to face a runoff election. Each candidate must have at least one-third of the votes cast to be elected.

In the weeks before the elections on Friday, the so-called hard-liners accused their opponents of engineering their defeat. Last month, the Council of Guardians, which supports Mr. Rafsanjani, announced that only the spiritually correct could run for office and eliminated dozens of their candidates, including a number of sitting deputies.

A surprising number of women were some of the top vote-getters for the Majlis, in which there currently are four women. Qodsiych Alavi, a gynecologist from the conservative clerical city of Mashad in northeast Iran, became the first women to be elected from outside Tehran. She ran as an independent, and she received more votes than her husband, who ran on the purist hard-line ticket.

Ex-Seychelles President In First Post-Coup Visit

Reuters

VICTORIA, Seychelles — A crowd of 10,000 cheering supporters welcomed Sir James Mancham, the first Seychelles president, when he returned on Sunday for the first time since being ousted by a 1977 coup. He said that his plans would depend on events in the islands, but that he hoped to be able to return before promised multiparty elections.

DIET: *Trashing the Scales*

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variable weights are also at highest risk for certain diseases. But Professor Brownell distrusts the anti-diet movement.

"The pendulum is swinging away from dieting so fast that I find myself in the uncomfortable position of actually defending weight-loss programs," he said. But others, particularly women, are cheering the pendulum swing.

"I think there's been a zeitgeist shift, and I applaud it," said Naomi Wolf, whose book "The Beauty Myth" (Morrow, 1991) criticizes America's "cult of the anorexic" and suggests that society punishes women by holding up to them a body image that is nearly impossible to attain.

"The ideal body weight shrank in the wake of '70s feminism," she said. "It was a backlash to take away from women psychologically the self-esteem that had been gained politically."

Students on the 40 campuses where she has spoken have reacted strongly to her message.

"The feminist light clicked on in my mother when she read Betty Freidan," said Eleanor Wently, 20, a student who recently heard Ms. Wolf speak at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts. "Something definitely clicked when I thought about self-imposed starvation, like what society can make you do to damage yourself, or to distract you from more important goals."

Be that as it may, Thomas A. Wadden, a professor of psychology at Syracuse University who researches obesity, said, "People who stop dieting may be able to get comfortable with their bodies, but I don't see them getting comfortable with an increased risk of mortality."

He said the anti-diet movement "could even be dangerous."

The gurus of the anti-diet movement beg to differ.

They say that the medical establishment's drumbeat, blaming excess weight for health problems, is one way that medicine and the $37 billion diet industry keep dieters, who are overwhelmingly female, on weight-loss regimes.

"The establishment clings to the belief that weight causes disease and death just as people once insisted that the world was flat," Professor Wooley of Cincinnati said.

"We know that overweight people have a higher mortality rate than thin people," she said. "We also know that black people have a higher mortality rate than white people. Do we subject black people to torturous treatments to bleach their skin? Of course not.

"We have enough sense to know skin-bleaching will not eliminate sickle-cell anemia. So why do we have blind faith that weight loss will cure the diseases associated with obesity?"

Japan Legislator Stabbed to Death By His Daughter

Reuters

TOKYO — A leading Japanese politician was stabbed to death Sunday by his mentally-disturbed daughter, the police said.

They said the legislator, Shinjiro Yamamura, 58, chairman of the budget committee of the lower house of parliament, was stabbed with a knife in the neck and chest by his second daughter, Kiriyo, 24. She was arrested soon afterward.

The police said Kiriyo had frequently received psychiatric treatment.

Mr. Yamamura, a former agriculture minister and transport minister, had been due to leave for North Korea on Monday as head of a governing Liberal Democratic Party delegation to celebrate the 80th birthday of President Kim Il Sung.

He was first elected to the lower house in 1964 and re-elected nine times.

Police Hold UN Protester

Reuters

NEW YORK — A woman who soaked herself with gasoline and threatened self-immolation outside United Nations headquarters surrendered to the police on Sunday after a 23-hour standoff.

HONG KONG: *On China, Bull Market in Optimism*

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final years before the handover of power from Britain to China. But for now, many seem to believe that the considerable political risks of integration may be matched by substantial economic benefits.

"The sky is the limit," said Richard Y. C. Wong, director of the Hong Kong Center for Economic Research at Chinese University, adding that Guangdong Province was coming to recognize its dependence on Hong Kong. "If Hong Kong were to disappear in an earthquake, China's economic activity would slowly grind to a halt. There is no economic center in China."

A tiny, barren patch of land that seems to grow buildings rather than rice, Hong Kong has had to turn to China for decades for its daily food and water. But in recent years, that dependence has blossomed into a formula for economic growth.

In a bid to remain competitive on world markets, Hong Kong has moved its manufacturing base to Guangdong Province: Hong Kong shares its brains and expertise and gets cheaper land and labor in return. The result is that total exports from Hong Kong, including goods made in China en route to the outside world, have soared nearly 20 percent on average in each of the last four years.

The Hong Kong economy still depends heavily on the United States, whose appetite for toys — including Barbies, G. I. Joes, and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles spinoffs — as well as electronics, watches, clothes and other products, accounted for nearly 23 percent of the territory's total exports last year.

But China is an even more significant trading partner. Last year, it took 27 percent of Hong Kong exports — many of them parts that are assembled in China and then exported — and a total share in Hong Kong's trade of 32.4 percent.

"Hong Kong people have had a real impact in Guangdong," said a Cantonese businessman posted in Hong Kong. "But Guangdong hasn't had any influence on Hong Kong. We can easily absorb capitalist influences, but socialism doesn't have much to offer Hong Kong."

While Hong Kong may continue to profit significantly from links with China, economists and analysts acknowledge that that dependency also carries problems and high risks.

About 1,150 people are emigrating from Hong Kong each week, contributing to a significant labor shortage. The shortage lures waves of illegal Chinese immigrants. Last year, Hong Kong turned back 33,000 Chinese, and the number was 5,000 in the first two months of this year.

CLINTON: *Party Rallies Round*

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saying that Mr. Clinton did not intend to resign as governor should he win the presidential nomination.

Among the disquieting signs for Mr. Clinton was a new opinion poll by Time magazine and CNN. The survey show Mr. Clinton trailing President George Bush by 44 percent to 33 percent. A similar poll on March 12 showed the two candidates tied with 43 percent each.

The survey, echoing similar recent polls, showed marked voter concern about Mr. Clinton's honesty after a stream of news articles during the recent primary elections questioning the governor's candor about his personal life.

On Sunday, Paul E. Tsongas, the former Massachusetts senator, made it clear that he would continue to entertain votes in future primaries even though he is not formally campaigning. Mr. Tsongas, in a broadcast interview, refused to release his 528 delegates to vote as they wish at the convention; they are now pledged to vote for Mr. Tsongas.

Mr. Brown has 264 delegates and Mr. Clinton 1,274, more than half of the 2,145 delegates needed to nominate. About 496 delegates selected so far are uncommitted.

Newsweek reports this week that about half of the 772 Democratic "super delegates" — elected officials like governors, mayors and members of Congress — would support Mr. Clinton if he arrived at the July convention still needing votes to secure the nomination.

Mr. Tsongas also said Sunday that he might join with Senator Warren B. Rudman of New Hampshire, a Republican who is leaving office, to speak out for what they view as sound economic policies and "fiscal integrity" in the coming year. Mr. Rudman said that "we might well do something together."

Governor Mario Cuomo of New York, meanwhile, said Mr. Clinton's drive for the Democratic nomination was "virtually done," but he refused to provide an outright endorsement.

Mr. Foley predicted an upswing for Mr. Clinton in the polls.

"No candidate has gone through more of a searing criticism based in part on innuendo and lack of focus, just suggestions of impropriety, and stood up to them than Bill Clinton," Mr. Foley said. "In about two months' time, you're going to see a candidate where people are going to say, 'Why has Bill Clinton suddenly come forward with these great polls?' "

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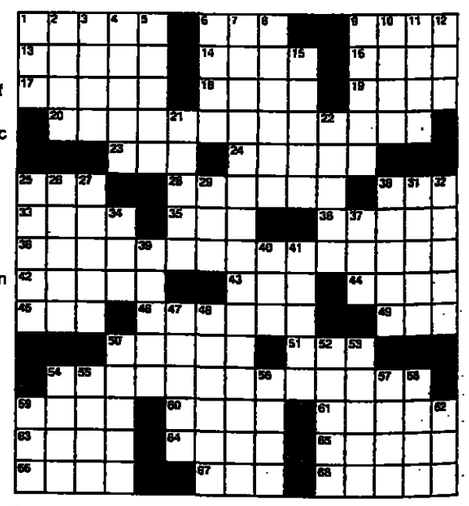
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Sanctions Near, Libya to Close Down

The Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya — Libya announced Sunday that it will sever all contact with the outside world for the 24 hours before United States sanctions take effect in a confrontation over the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 in which 270 people died.

Arab leaders, meanwhile, continued efforts to find a way to head off the sanctions, which would include embargoes on arms sales and commercial air traffic to Libya.

The official press agency JANA said Libya would cut all international travel and communication links Tuesday as a sign of mourning for a 1986 U.S. air strike that killed 41 Libyans.

The United Nations Security Council has given Libya until Wednesday, the sixth anniversary of the U.S. air raid, to surrender two men suspected of being intelligence agents. The men are charged in the bombing of a New York-bound Pan American World Airways jet in 1988 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

The Libyan leader, Colonel Moammar Gadhafi, apparently chose to observe the air raid anniversary a day early to avoid having his gesture overshadowed by the UN sanctions.

The Security Council is demanding that Libya surrender the two Lockerbie suspects for trial in the United States or Britain and produce proof it has renounced all forms of terrorism. The council also wants Tripoli to cooperate with France in trying four other Libyans accused of killing 171 people in the 1989 bombing of a French airliner over Niger.

Libya has agreed only to turn over the Lockerbie suspects to a neutral country, an offer rejected by the West. Colonel Gadhafi denies the men or his government had any role in the bombing.

Libya's foreign minister, Ibrahim Bishari, met Saturday with the United Nations secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, in Geneva and said he had offered proposals for ending the standoff.

JANA said President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt arrived Sunday to meet Colonel Gadhafi.

Mr. Mubarak, a close ally of the West, has been trying to defuse the crisis through mediation. But Egyptian officials have indicated many times that there is little Cairo can do unless Libya surrenders the suspects.

Elsewhere, the foreign ministers of seven Arab nations planned to meet in Rabat late Sunday to seek an end to the confrontation. The committee was created by the Arab League last month in an effort to avoid an escalation of tensions in the region.

Washington said the raids on Tripoli and Benghazi were in retaliation for Libya's involvement in the bombing of a Berlin discothèque frequented by U.S. soldiers. Two people were killed and 200 wounded in that attack.

Is Israel Now 'Executing' Palestinians?

By Clyde Haberman
New York Times Service

JENIN, Israeli-Occupied West Bank — As a fruit-stand owner in the outdoor market remembers it, the men were leaning against a wall drinking juice when they suddenly called out to Bassam Fadi Shaban, who was standing nearby.

The fruit vendor recalls two men. Another merchant in the market says there were three.

Either way, their versions of what happened next that morning last November are essentially the same: The men shouted "Bassam!" and drew pistols. Then they ran up to Mr. Shaban and shot him at point-blank range. Then, according to these accounts, they finished him off, firing repeatedly at him as he lay on the ground.

The gunmen were agents of an Israeli undercover army unit working in the occupied territories. Mr. Shaban, 24, was on their wanted list as a member of the Black Panthers, an armed and violent Palestinian group affiliated with El Fatah, the main faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

His death is typical of at least three dozen cases over the last 18 months in which Israeli undercover units in the territories have killed wanted Palestinians under disputed circumstances. These cases have begun to be studied with new intensity by Israeli, Palestinian and foreign human rights observers.

After several more such deaths in mid-March, Palestinian leaders asserted that these units were carrying out "summary executions." That, witnesses here in Jenin say, is how they view what happened to Mr. Shaban.

"There was no need to shoot him like that," said the fruit vendor, who refused to give his name. "If they wanted to catch him, they could have. He didn't even have time to think."

This is not how the Israeli Army tells the story. It readily acknowledges that undercover soldiers dressed in civilian clothes killed Mr. Shaban, whom they had been trying to arrest for awhile on murder charges. But senior officers insist that he was armed and that he ignored a lawful order to halt. The agents, they say, used reasonable force to stop him.

In almost all the disputed cases, military authorities say that proper procedures were followed against armed and dangerous men, while Palestinian witnesses insist the men offered no resistance and could easily have been arrested instead of gunned down.

Sometimes, the Israeli agents appear to have made fatal errors. In Jenin recently, a man identified as Muhanad Turqman, 28, was killed when a bullet was fired into his head from a few meters away as he sat in the backseat of a taxi. When the undercover soldiers checked his identification papers, Israeli news reports say, they discovered that they had gone after the wrong man.

In most cases, however, even Palestinian leaders do not argue that those killed were innocents. Many belonged to the Black Panthers, which is conspicuously strong in Jenin and Nablus, both centers in the northern West Bank, and which has waged a death campaign, in particular, against Palestinians accused of collaborating with Israel.

But Palestinians assert that the agents are shooting on sight, with no questions asked.

"Instead of arresting activists against the occupation, the Israeli authorities are conducting a campaign to kill them," said Faisal Husseini, a Palestinian leader in East Jerusalem. He asserts that 18 Arabs in the Occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip have been killed this way in the last four months.

Israeli officers do not dispute the numbers, although they say that some cases are still under investigation. But they reject out of hand the accusation that the special units are hit squads licensed to kill.

"Israeli soldiers have orders to capture those people, no matter how much blood they have on their hands, to put them on trial," said Lieutenant Colonel Moshe Fogel, an army spokesman.

Despite the denials, and evidence that other wanted Palestinians are indeed arrested and not shot, human-rights groups have expressed concern. The State Department, in its most recent human rights report, said that in 1991 "nonuniformed personnel are known to have killed 27 Palestinians, many of whom were unarmed but were generally either wanted, masked or fleeing from authorities after writing graffiti."

Republics at Odds on START Treaty

New York Times Service

MOSCOW — Officials from four members of the Commonwealth of Independent States, the successor to the Soviet Union, with strategic nuclear weapons on their territories have reportedly failed to resolve differences that have held up compliance with the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty with the United States.

The officials — the foreign ministers of Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan and the deputy foreign minister of Belarus — met for eight hours on Saturday, but they failed to agree how to meet the obligations assumed by the former Soviet Union when Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed the treaty with George Bush last August.

The treaty calls for a 30 percent cut in long-range missiles. The United States would like the former Soviet republics to act as a single entity. But Ukraine in particular has insisted on being treated as a separate state.

"We are not speaking of the emergence of a new nuclear state," said the Ukrainian foreign minister, Anatoli Zlenko. "But each state wants its share of the responsibility for this treaty."

The officials said the issue would be turned over to experts for further study.

Ukraine, which says it wants to get rid of all nuclear weapons on its territory by 1994, has also suspended the transfer of short-range nuclear weapons to Russia for destruction, arguing that it has no guarantee the weapons are being destroyed.

Kravchuk Sees a Short Life for CIS

Reuters

MOSCOW — President Leonid M. Kravchuk of Ukraine, locked in a bitter dispute with Russia over nuclear weapons and warships, has predicted an early death for the 11-member Commonwealth of Independent States.

"In its present form, the Commonwealth will not live long," Mr. Kravchuk told Interfax news agency in an interview published Sunday. "It will simply not be able to survive."

"Perhaps," he said, "we are not mature enough to understand correctly the Commonwealth concept itself. Only stable and orderly states can understand it."

Mr. Kravchuk said that the question of who controlled nuclear weapons on Ukrainian territory was a clear example of the failure of the Commonwealth to set up reliable mechanisms to handle contentious issues.

"The joint armed forces are a serious problem for the Commonwealth," he added. "I, the leader of an independent state, am nobody for the supreme command of the joint armed forces."

"I personally think the main thing is that the Commonwealth implements its own decisions without creating the subordinate structures to do it," Mr. Kravchuk said.

Russia Trying to Elude Crisis

After Yeltsin Setback, Search for a Compromise Starts

By Michael Dobbs
Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — Russia's reformist government explored a possible compromise on Sunday with the parliamentary leadership to avert the threat of a political crisis Monday after a setback to the authority of President Boris N. Yeltsin.

Government and parliamentary leaders said they had succeeded in narrowing some of their differences after a vote in the legislature on Saturday that would force Mr. Yeltsin to resign as acting prime minister by the end of July.

Yegor T. Gaidar, who is widely regarded as the architect of Russia's free-market policies, told reporters that he was not sure that the compromise measures worked out with parliamentary leaders would succeed in saving his economic program. In that event, he said, the government would step down.

Mr. Yeltsin's supporters predicted that the vote would lead to the reversal of the shock therapy program started in January.

"We took a realistic look at the situation and agreed on coordinating our actions so as not to paralyze the implementation of reforms," said Mr. Gaidar, after a meeting with parliamentary leaders.

Under the Russian political system, which was inherited from the former Soviet Union, the Congress of People's Deputies has the right to control the government and confirm and dismiss ministers.

The Yeltsin camp argues that the Congress is a brake on reforms and would like to replace this system with an American-style presidential system, separating the executive and legislative branches.

When the Congress reconvenes on Monday, Yeltsin supporters are likely to urge deputies to reconsider the Saturday vote restoring legislative control over the government by the end of July. If parliament refuses to take such a step, the government will probably call for a referendum on constitutional changes that would involve fresh elections.

Conservatives in the Congress, the supreme Russian legislature, succeeded Saturday in pushing through a resolution that would in effect deprive Mr. Yeltsin of direct control over the government by July. The vote appears to have been the last straw for government ministers already upset about the gradual dilution of the economic "shock therapy."

By reacting so sharply to the vote, Mr. Gaidar and his team of youthful economic policymakers appeared determined to bring their long-running test of strength with the conservatives to a climax. Their calculation is that it will be easier to win a showdown now, when popular support for Mr. Yeltsin is relatively high, than in a couple of months, when living standards are most likely to decline still further.

The radicals may also be trying to force Mr. Yeltsin, 61, to take a firm stand on the issue of economic change. After sitting stone-faced through the first five days of the Congress, and apparently orchestrating a compromise resolution Friday that would have extended the government's term of office until the end of the year, Mr. Yeltsin was absent during the Saturday session.

In the last month, the government has been forced to abandon its pledge to achieve a balanced budget and has begun bailing out thousands of state-run entreprises that would otherwise have gone bankrupt.

The reform camp suspects that the 683-to-123 vote on Saturday to force Mr. Yeltsin to step down as acting prime minister within three months was designed to topple the government and reverse the course of the change. They are aware that the unpopularity of such measures as the end of most price controls would make it practically impossible for them to survive without Mr. Yeltsin's protection.

■ More Karabakh Fighting

Defenders of Armenian villages in the disputed enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh killed more than two dozen Azerbaijani militants and shot down a helicopter, The Associated Press reported Sunday, quoting an Armenian official.

Azerbaijani forces shelled the village of Krasny Bazar, the Armenian spokesman said, adding that nine villagers died in the attack. He said that Armenian forces shot down a helicopter and destroyed several armored personnel carriers Saturday and that 30 Azerbaijani fighters were killed.

Arafat Back at Work, Undeterred by Doctors

Reuters

TUNIS — Yasser Arafat, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, went back to work Sunday, leading his first political meeting since he survived a desert air crash last week, PLO sources said.

Ignoring his doctors' orders to stay in bed, Mr. Arafat, 62, took part in a meeting of the PLO executive committee in Tunis. Three crew members were killed Tuesday during the crash-landing of Mr. Arafat's plane in a sandstorm.

Bush to Attack Use by Unions of Nonmember Fees

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — In a move long sought by conservatives, President George Bush will soon take steps to prevent labor unions from using money collected from nonunion workers for political activities that those workers oppose.

The measures are intended, in part, to limit the activities of unions in support of Democratic candidates this year.

Labor leaders vehemently oppose the restrictions, saying that the rules will impose an undue accounting burden by requiring unions to keep detailed records of spending in different categories. They also say that Mr. Bush is pandering to the right wing and that his plan would impede unions' legitimate political activities.

In a speech planned for Monday, Mr. Bush will describe his actions as a way to enforce a 1988 Supreme Court decision that held that workers who choose not to join a union may not be required to pay for any union activities other than collective bargaining and representation on labor-management issues.

White House officials estimate that the president's actions will eventually keep $2.4 billion a year out of union coffers.

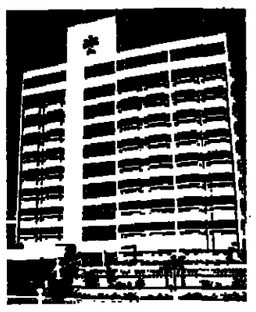
Pakistan Restarts Executions

Reuters

KARACHI, Pakistan — A man convicted of murdering his wife and her parents was hanged Sunday in the first execution in Pakistan in six years, after Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's decision to restore the death penalty, which had been suspended since 1988.

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OPINION

Stop the War in Bosnia

Just when almost everyone thought the worst was over in Yugoslavia, the conflict threatens to surge into its bloodiest stage. This could happen in Bosnia-Herzegovina, where, ironically, Muslim-Serbian-Croatian coexistence has created a degree of integration that makes the republic particularly vulnerable to a violent sorting out. A desperate and enlightened Muslim leadership had sought to save Bosnia by moving to independence and offering a full plate of personal and community rights. But at Germany's insistence, Europe prematurely recognized breakaway Croatia (and Slovenia) and then, unfortunately with American company, Bosnia itself. The sequence at once emboldened Croatia and released Serbia to start carving up Bosnia. That is what is under way now.

The reckless Serbian Milosevic government in rump Yugoslavia is inciting a Serbian-dominated Yugoslav army and Serbian irregulars to "liberate" Bosnian Serbs ostensibly threatened with "genocide." This in a place, Bosnia, that unlike Croatia has not alarmed its (31 percent) Serbian minority but has favored it. Meanwhile, Croatia's Tudjman government, even though it has recognized an independent Bosnia, seems obsessed with annexing a western hunk of it. Bosnia's 44 percent Muslim plurality stands to be disinherited in its own country.

Germany, flexing its new foreign policy muscle and cocking too much of an ear to its resident Croats, pushed Europe into early recognition of Croatia — and Slovenia and then Bosnia. This was a mistake. European governments had joined in directing the United Nations to arrange a Serb-Croat cease-fire and the European Community to make an overall peace. With early recognition, however, a major card was stolen from the two organizations' hands. What can now be done to avert a slaughter that could quickly top the current toll of 10,000 dead?

The United Nations has no mandate to expose its observers and peacekeepers, sent to Croatia only after a cease-fire, to Bosnian fire. But these units are headquartered in Bosnia, and at the least they should not be withdrawn. Europe and America were removing economic sanctions against Yugoslavia's warring parts; they must restore them and add an oil embargo. The European Community should intensify its negotiating efforts. Washington should consider reading the riot act to Serbia's and Croatia's leaders. This is a war that can and must be stopped.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

Britain Prefers Caution

A Vote Against Taxes

"Britain Set for a Hung Parliament With Labor the Biggest Party," promised the headline in The Sunday Times in London. But polls and pundits proved fallible. In last Thursday's elections, Conservatives won a fourth straight victory, albeit with a parliamentary margin shaved from 86 to 21 seats. The clear message is that Britons trust Prime Minister John Major more than the Laborite Neil Kinnock — especially on taxes.

That Mr. Major won despite Britain's worst recession since the 1930s will doubtless cheer President George Bush. For democrats, with a small or capital D, the outcome suggests that anyone like Mr. Kinnock who dares say that better schools or improved health care have real costs will be punished.

The likable Mr. Major confounded detractors who said he lacked the ideological fire of his formidable predecessor, Margaret Thatcher. She offered only the faintest blessings to her chosen successor, in part because he dumped her unpopular local property tax, known as the poll tax. He successfully gave his party and cause a more human face. He spoke compassionately about the jobless. Hard-liners vanished from his cabinet, and he offered a budget sweetened with tax concessions. And he called Mr. Kinnock "stark raving bonkers" for advocating a rate increase from 40 to 59 percent on yearly earnings of $68,000 or more. Labor insisted that higher taxes were equitable and essential to an underfinanced National Health Service.

This was in fact the most daring proposal put forward by a Labor Party that had ditched its radical tenets and embraced what one scoffer called "designer socialism." Its setback bodes badly for left-of-center leaders elsewhere, who had looked to Britain to counter a European shift to the right. Yet personality figured as much as platform; Mr. Kinnock was perceived as abrasive, Mr. Major as emollient.

What did not happen is also notable. The Liberal Democrats failed to gain their predicted balance-of-power vote. A Scottish Nationalist revolt did not materialize.

Thus, for five years, barring calamities, Conservatives will continue to govern. But it cannot be said that victory has gone to the bold or the innovative. After the ideological passion of the Thatcher decade, Britain has turned to the cautious and reassuring. Mr. Bush will assuredly take note.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Unlike the Continent

Opinion polls sometimes swing elections rather than merely forecast them. That may have happened last week in Britain, where most polls consistently predicted a mess in which no party would have a majority to govern. Voters remember the last hung Parliament, in 1974, as the beginning of a very bad time — political chaos, soaring inflation, a growing sense of national decline. Some of those voters apparently responded by changing their minds and deciding, in the end, to stick with what they had.

As a result, Britain is now the only of the four major countries of Western Europe to have a government with a firm political footing and an assured future. The Conservatives won a modest but serviceable majority — the fourth consecutive victory for a party in power since 1979 — and Prime Minister John Major will lead it with the authority that a personal triumph confers.

It was an uphill struggle. The Conservatives were showing signs of the exhaustion that long tenure brings, and the country has been going through a severe recession with high unemployment. But a cloud of mistrust continues to hang over the Labor Party and its intentions regarding taxes. That mistrust has kept Mr. Major in office.

Once again the British are clearly marching to a different drummer than voters on the Continent. Strikingly clear common patterns ran through the French regional elections three weeks ago, the German state elections on April 5 and the Italian national elections on April 5 and 6. None of those patterns has carried over to Britain. On the Continent, voters deserted all the big parties in a flight to the fringes. In Britain, the Conservatives got slightly less of the popular vote than in 1987, but the two major parties together got significantly more of it at the expense of the smaller ones. In Britain nobody profited from an anti-immigrant vote. There were no victories for regional separatism.

Of the four countries, Britain will now have the most confident government with the greatest freedom of action. Since Britain remains the least enthusiastic of the four about the European Community's economic and monetary union, progress there is likely to slow down. Of the four, Britain is also the least involved in Western efforts to rescue Eastern Europe's economies. Nor is Britain eager to play a direct role in trying to stop Yugoslavia's civil wars. After the great events of the past three years, West European voters seem to be turning inward. In Britain the main preoccupation is less the future of Europe than the prospects for economic recovery and growth at home.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

Other Comment

A Job for Britain's Superman

So John Major turned out to be Clark Kent after all. The unassuming man with glasses, dismissed as a boring wimp by his enemies, written off by much of the press and already being plotted against by some of the Tory hierarchy, went into the polling booth, turned round and came out a Superman. Against the odds, and to many people's surprise, he had won convincingly. A fourth Tory term was in the bag for the first time in 180 years, the Labor Party had been soundly beaten yet again — this time in a recession.

Mr. Major has won a famous victory which confirms Britain's future as a modern market economy and makes it improbable that the country will ever again have a socialist government. There is a basic decency about the man, and much of what he stands for is what Britain needs in the 1990s: continued progress toward a more vibrant, dynamic market economy and radical reform to improve the public services. John Major's task is clear: to turn the British economy into the Hong Kong of Europe, while the rest of Europe lumbers itself with Brussels's social charter, and to use some of the wealth created by such an economy to build the best health and education systems in the world.

— The Sunday Times (London).

Trouble if Bush Isn't Green

What hope is there for the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in June if the United States remains lukewarm in its attitude? Eighty percent of the world's people are in developing countries, yet it is the United States that holds the trump card. Third World countries have the capacity to work together on their own to improve their environment, but it is a global effort that is needed simply because the industrial states remain the largest polluters and have the largest purses. But insincerity about resolving environmental problems abounds in the North, as was clearly evident in the recent preparatory meeting in New York of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development. Some 50 countries will meet in Kuala Lumpur later this month to map out their common strategy for the Earth Summit. Will it turn out to be an exercise in futility?

There is no alternative to getting Washington to take a more serious position on the environment. As it is, its official position paper pays little attention to one of the main goals of the Earth Summit — sustainable development. It is a pity that such a dog-in-the-manger attitude is robbing the world of a one-time opportunity to save itself.

— Business Times (Kuala Lumpur).

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Public Spending Has Its Role in a Pragmatic Society

By William Pfaff

PARIS — The election in Britain, like the presidential primaries in the United States, posed an important debate on the role of the state in the economy. For the last 15 years, monetarist and supply-side market economic doctrine has dominated policy-making in both countries. If John Major's new government in Britain, with the interventionist Michael Heseltine in the important post of minister of trade and industry, and the next U.S. government, in the eventuality of a Democratic victory, move to a more interventionist approach and increase public infrastructure investment, it will have an important international effect.

The other major West European governments and Japan already practice a degree of state economic intervention condemned by Reaganite and Thatcherite theorists and politicians. As these countries today have the more successful economies, the intellectual battle is being won on the playing field — or shall we say, in the marketplace.

You would think it common sense that good public health and education, and roads, railroads and other forms of public infrastructure, unprofitable in themselves, nonetheless generate wealth indirectly. A recent U.S. study concludes that industrial productivity growth was highest from 1960 to 1973 in exactly those countries which had the highest rate of nonmilitary public infrastructure investment: Japan, West Germany, France.

From 1974 to 1989, the overall correlation was less marked, but the United States had the lowest percentage of GNP spent on public investment and the lowest level of productivity increase. Alan Aschauer (in the Journal of Monetary Economics) says that global U.S. productivity (labor plus capital) grew by 2 percent annually in the 1950s and '60s but by only 0.8 percent in the 1970s and early '80s. At the same time, growth in nonmilitary public investment fell from 4.1 percent to 1.6 percent. He sees cause and effect in this.

An economist at the French national statistical institute argues that a direct relationship also exists between productivity and the level of skilled labor employed in industry. The 10th of French industry that employs the highest level of unskilled labor is the least productive. The 10th employing the most highly qualified labor is the most productive. Education and training equal productivity.

All this is why Germany is investing so heavily in public infrastructure in East Germany, and why investment in education is so high throughout continental Europe and in Japan. The United States and Britain, however, have for more than a decade neglected highways, railways and airports, insisting that whatever industry needed the market would motivate industry to build. Britain still has not even begun to build the rail line for high-speed traffic on its side of the Channel Tunnel.

Market doctrine has also held that privatization in Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union would cause market forces to revitalize economies and generate growth. However, growth is slow in coming. It is relatively easy to privatize commerce — shops, restaurants, etc. The main streets of Moscow now are lined with people buying and selling. But they are not producing. Productive enterprises are hard to privatize when their plant is obsolete, unproductive, and they produce goods uncompetitive on international markets. Who would want them?

Yet they provide employment and thus have a social value. They also have a political value in the negative respect that closing them and augmenting unemployment is politically destabilizing. For this reason the government agency responsible for East German privatization, the Treuhandanstalt, has been very cautious in demanding that those who buy up former state enterprises guarantee continuing investment and job protection. This has earned it criticism from such ideologically committed journals as The Economist, which protests that to combine "social policy and industrial policy together in one institution" jeopardizes both.

There also is a political cost in selling enterprises to Western buyers. The public risks seeing this as industrial abdication — "selling off the family jewels," as Harold Macmillan once said of Margaret Thatcher's privatizations in Britain.

Moreover, even when the buyer makes a major commitment to modernization, it is not always a success. A recent Radio Free Europe report tells of General Electric's purchase in 1989 of the Hungarian electrical manufacturer Tungsram, which was one of Eastern Europe's few successful enterprises, exporting to BMW and Mercedes and to Japanese car manufacturers.

Despite drastic efforts by the new GE managers, heavy investment in new equipment and the advantage of low-cost Hungarian labor (one-10th of U.S. labor costs), Tungsram lost money in both 1990 and 1991, and goes on doing so. Overmanning was one problem, but the real ones, according to the company's head — George F. Varga, who had previously run GE's subsidiary in the Netherlands — were the attitudes and assumptions held by the work force.

These are things that only time and experience will change. They demonstrate, however, that privatization has far more than economic obstacles to overcome. Failed privatizations generating sociopolitical unrest are what Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union least need. What they do need, in their efforts to reform their economies, is a level of pragmatism and political sophistication — or worldly experience — not always evident among economists.

A striking characteristic of ideology is its indifference to the reality about it, caused by its determination to change that reality. Marxism was an intellectual reaction to the conditions of 19th century industrial Britain. Its ideas were largely obsolete by the time Lenin came to power. Trade unions and managerial reforms were already changing industrial society. By the time of the October Revolution, the Labor Party in Britain had been in Parliament for more than a decade. Keynes's major works date from 1919. Roosevelt's New Deal came little more than a decade later.

Lenin and his followers meanwhile were recreating in peasant Russia a totalitarian version of 19th century industrial Britain. They had wanted to transform the future, according to a theory. They actually produced a cruel parody of the past. There is a lesson in that.

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A U.S. Scenario: Stagnation Until Our Eyes Open

By Gar Alperovitz

This is the first of two articles.

WASHINGTON — As the U.S. economy continues to send contradictory signals, a disturbing question arises: Is it conceivable that America has entered a period of long-term stagnation? If so, the kinds of policies needed to get it out of the economic doldrums, and the political reappraisal needed to bring policymakers to consider them, are likely to be far more wrenching than most Americans are yet willing to contemplate.

In 1990, median household income adjusted for inflation was $1,000 less than 17 years earlier. From 1977 to 1988, average wages and salaries of the bottom 90 percent of the population fell by 3.5 percent. Wages for a male high school graduate entering the job market in the late 1980s were 18 percent lower than in the late 1970s.

The idea that the United States may be confronted with ongoing stagnation is not something that experts have been willing to talk openly about. Most economists continue explicitly or implicitly to suggest that America's troubles derive from a recurrent cycle of recession and upswing that is "normal."

The current conventional wisdom did not always hold sway. During the 1930s many eminent scholars concluded that the "normal" state of the U.S. economy was neither a hopeful trend of steady growth nor a regular pattern of up-down business waves. Some detected very long periods of depression or stagnation.

If the "normal" state of the economy is judged to be recurrently stagnant, what must be explained, of course, is not economic difficulty but temporary periods of prosperity. A good deal of research has suggested that previous economic booms were caused by unusual technological developments such as the advent of the railroad, population growth, territorial expansion or large-scale city construction efforts.

In this century, the most important source of such compensatory stimulus has been government — especially military — spending. Some observers, for example, have pointed to a norm of American economic difficulty during the first quarter of the 20th century — until war-related exports, together with World War I spending, jolted the system out of near-depression between 1910 and 1914.

Stagnation theories again enjoyed influence after the failure of the New Deal's first burst of economic programs, especially during the 1937-38 recession within the Depression. And once again a world war intervened to rescue the economy. War-related prosperity continued, too, when wartime savings fueled postwar consumer spending, and when the Marshall Plan and other investments to rebuild Europe accelerated U.S. exports.

During the "postwar boom" of the third quarter of the century, war-related factors were again at work: the Korean War, the Cold War and the Vietnam War. Military spending, which had fallen to 4 percent of GNP in the early postwar years, shot up to nearly 14 percent during Korea, and averaged roughly 10 percent during the '50s and only slightly less during the '60s.

Many military-related growth factors faded as America entered the final, post-Vietnam quarter of the century. Military spending declined to about 6 percent of GNP during the 1970s and '80s.

The bulge in new post-1960s Medicare and Medicaid spending also largely tapered off.

Other temporary advantages disappeared as well: The United States — which had stood almost alone in world markets after its major competitors were destroyed in World War II — again found itself challenged around the globe.

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British-U.S. Election Linkage? Any Omens Are Hard to Read

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON — There is nothing like a surprise election result to force the chattering classes to eat their words, throw away their talking points and sputter in embarrassment in search of new arguments. The triumph of the Conservatives in last week's British elections has caused many a case of verbal indigestion.

Just a few days ago, when it looked as if the Labor Party would win, Democrats and liberals in the United States were ready with a slew of proclamations: Reagan-Thatcher conservatism was to be pronounced dead, social reform was the wave of the future, George Bush had better watch out.

Republicans and conservatives were ready with counter arguments of their own: George Bush was not John Major, the compatibility of British and American election trends was a myth, and Bill Clinton simply did not have the time to rehabilitate himself the way Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock did over many years.

Suddenly the tables are turned. Democrats are now a bit more sympathetic to the argument that what happens in Britain does not necessarily happen in America; Republicans are more eager to see worldwide trends that they once proclaimed a myth.

Having eaten some words of my own in the last few days (and also lost a bet), I am sympathetic to those now scrambling for new sound bites. Since the Conservatives won, the conservative case is the easiest to make:

- John Major really is like George Bush. After all, what is Mr. Major except a "kinder, gentler" Margaret Thatcher? He readjusted conservatism just enough to the center to make it palatable to floating voters who threatened to bolt to Labor or to the more centrist Liberal Democrats. Mr. Major looked a little bumbling in the campaign, but that turned out to be an asset. The message: Major (and Bush) are basically nice fellows.

The Republicans might succeed this year by arguing that Democratic taxes on the rich would ultimately hit everybody.

- Neil Kinnock's problems are a lot like Bill Clinton's. Having trended toward Labor and a desire for change, voters pulled away at the last moment because they just could not imagine this garrulous, ambitious, win-at-any-cost former left-winger as their prime minister. Even if Mr. Clinton gets his campaign moving, last minute doubt about President Clinton will push voters back toward Mr. Bush.
- The Reagan Democrats live. In Britain, the moral equivalent of Reagan Democrats are the skilled workers — "C2s" is their category in market research — who went to Mrs. Thatcher in disgust over Labor's failures and because they shared her desire for a more competitive and accountable Britain. Mr. Major won because a lot of the C2s, especially in southern England, stuck with the Conservatives. For all of Mr. Clinton's talk about "responsibility" and "obligation," the Reagan Democrats won't be taken in.
- An incumbent party can survive a bad recession. The unemployment rate in Britain is a lot higher than America's, yet Mr. Major still won. The point is that voters may have thought the Conservatives did a lousy job, but they feared worse from Labor. Sound familiar?
- Voters hate higher taxes. Mr. Major and his allies kept invoking Labor's new taxes as threatening to the middle class voters who seemed poised to jump the Conservative ship. The polls suggested that these arguments were not working, but the polls were wrong about other things, too, like the final results. Republicans will thus succeed this year when they argue that Democratic taxes on the rich will ultimately hit everybody.
- Private initiative still beats government. Mr. Kinnock's Labor Party sounded a lot like Mr. Clinton's Democrats in arguing that government has a big role to play in improving education, expanding job training — and also in improving the nation's health system. Turns out that the voters rejected every one of those arguments. Even the hallowed health care issue — Labor's best, according to the polls, and the Democrats' great hope — fell flat as a pancake.

If you are a liberal, you may now feel overwhelmed. Not to fear. As any self-respecting member of the McLaughlin Group can tell you, just go straight at the other guy's arguments (and throw in some personal insults if you have to).

John Major as George Bush? No way. For one thing, Mr. Major actually has some convictions. He really did change some important Thatcher policies, like the regressive poll tax. He made his party far more pro-Europe (although not too much so). Some hard-core Thatcherites were privately dismissing him as a closet social democrat. And by the way, neither Mrs. Thatcher nor Mr. Major was big on budget deficits. And the voters (especially women) actually seemed to like Mr. Major, which you can't say for Mr. Bush.

Bill Clinton is Neil Kinnock? Come off it. Neil Kinnock is an old left-winger who was once for unilateral nuclear disarmament. Mr. Clinton's foreign policy is so solid and centrist that it is boring — which is better than being dangerous. And it took years for Mr. Kinnock to develop his lousy reputation. Mr. Clinton's problems are real, but they are the product of only a couple of months' worth of news stories. That can be turned around.

The Conservatives got only 42 percent of the vote. The real measure of British opinion is the combination of the Labor Party vote with the vote for the Liberal Democrat — whose policies are a lot closer to Mr. Clinton's than Labor's. The "Lib-Lab" position represented the vast majority of British opinion. Mr. Clinton is a Lib-Lab kind of guy. The Liberal Democrat leader, Paddy Ashdown, was more popular than either Mr. Major or Mr. Kinnock (try the "Clinton is Ashdown, not Kinnock" line). And like Mr. Clinton, Mr. Ashdown was obsessed with the education issue.

Labor had a lot farther to go than the Democrats do. All these arguments that the Democrats, like Labor, moved "too far to the left" are nonsense, since the Democrats were never anywhere near as left-wing as Labor. Ron Brown, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, may have problems, but he did not have to purge his party of Trotskyists and other "loonie lefties" who wanted to nationalize everything. Think of it this way: George McGovern and Jesse Jackson would be centrists in the pro-Kinnock Labor Party. And the postwar Democrats never fell to less than 28 percent of the vote, as Labor did in 1983.

The British-American convergence ain't what it's cracked up to be. Sure, liberals were ready to argue exactly the opposite four days ago. So what? A lot of times, the British trends have followed, not led, the American trends. John Kennedy and the Democrats won in 1960 even though Harold Macmillan's Conservatives won a landslide in 1959. When Harold Wilson finally led the Labor Party to victory in 1964, his whole program was a copy of Mr. Kennedy's. Bill Clinton, the ex-Rhodes scholar, will show the Labor Party the way for the next time.

The two countries are as different as they have ever been. The end of the Cold War means a lot more to Americans than to the British, who got rid of their empire long ago. We Americans are still trying to sort out our new world role — which creates all kinds of openings for the Democrats.

Mr. Clinton can talk about cutting defense spending, letting Europe defend itself, emphasizing economic strength instead of military strength, getting tougher on trade with Japan and Europe. Mr. Kinnock should have been so lucky as to have "big think" issues like these.

So let the argument begin.

The Washington Post.

A Middle Class With Private Concerns

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — Any Democrat who thinks it will be easy to beat George Bush because America is in a recession should look at the British election results. Economic misery is worse in Britain and has been going on far longer, yet the Conservatives, in power for 13 years, won again.

Why? Of course there are many reasons for the Tory victory. But first among them, I am convinced, is that millions of Britons are now middle-class property owners, more interested in raising their own living standards than in alleviating public squalor.

In London during the campaign, The Independent published a series of articles by well-known persons on how they would vote. Sir Claus Moser, warden of Wadham College, Oxford, said he was for Labor because of its "caring attitudes" on health, education and poverty. He continued:

"I'm looking for a government which cares crucially about our public services. Our general infrastructure is appalling and compares poorly with Europe, as everybody who travels knows. I look to Labor to give top priority to these, even if this does mean somewhat higher taxes ... I put all that higher than personal wealth."

Sir Claus was right about run-down public services in Britain — dirty streets, delayed subways, a struggling National Health Service. But he was evidently in a minority in being willing to pay for improvements.

As the campaign began, Labor's chief economic spokesman, John Smith, published detailed economic plans. A Labor government, he said, would increase spending on the Health Service and other public needs, and pay for it by raising taxes on "the rich." But the tax increases he outlined covered many who did not consider themselves "the rich." There would be increases on anyone earning over the equivalent of about $37,000 a year. The maximum income tax rate, on incomes over about $70,000 a year, would rise from 40 to 50 percent.

The Conservatives spent much of their campaign denouncing those tax plans, and the strategy worked. In exit polls many voters said they were troubled by Labor's tax proposals.

Mr. Smith, in short, paid for his honesty. He and others in the Labor Party may have learned what George McGovern did when he made his proposal in 1972 to tax away all inheritances over $500,000. Only a small percentage of Americans would have that much to leave. People who are not rich may nevertheless hope to do better — and not want the government to take it.

Another reason for Labor's disappointing showing was undoubtedly the historical baggage the party carries. Neil Kinnock, its leader, has done a remarkable job in pruning its extreme left, but voters still remember the Marxist rhetoric and the excesses of union power. Perhaps it will just take time, and a new party leader, to give Labor the modern look of a European social democratic party.

History has also helped the Conservative Party by dividing its opposition. Before this century, it was Conservatives versus Liberals. Then the Labor Party became the dominant force on the left. But the Liberals and successor parties, now the Liberal Democrats, continue to compete.

Because of Britain's voting system, with the winner in each of 651 districts going to Parliament, a third party gets few seats. Most of its votes, scattered around the country, are wasted. This is how the parties did last week in percentage of the popular vote and in the number of seats won: Conservatives 42 and 336, Labor 34 and 271, Liberal Democrats 18 and 20.

The Liberal Democrats want to change the voting system to proportional representation, which would have given them about 117 seats. There will be increased pressure within Labor to support that profound change. For without some compact with the Liberal Democrats, Labor may have little chance to win.

The election, finally, was a personal triumph for Prime Minister John Major. He took over a tired and embittered party from Margaret Thatcher. Perhaps now, free of her ghost, he will be able to produce a government more competent in economics and less negative in its most important policy: toward the European Community.

The New York Times.

IT HAS long been an article of faith that Margaret Thatcher was admired but not loved in Britain. But all that belief ever showed was how seldom the intelligentsia went to towns like Basildon in Essex, or to Harlow in Sussex; to the housing estates where in the go-go 1980s people had bought their own homes and now dreamed of a condo in Florida or Spain; to the towns where bookshops had closed and video stores opened; to the pubs that had turned into cocktail bars; to the houses with satellite TV dishes and whirlpool jets in the bathtub.

It was — and is — in such places that Mrs. Thatcher, the first politician in modern British not to patronize material acquisitiveness, was genuinely loved; and it was in those places that last week's election was won and lost.

In London and the southeast, the richest part of Britain, where the population is growing fastest, the legacy of the much reviled Mrs. Thatcher is alive and well. As she got off the Concord in London on Thursday night, returning from an America to which, it is said, she had been packed off lest her supposed unpopularity frighten the voters, the old girl looked as pleased as punch.

— Michael Elliott, Washington bureau chief of The Economist, commenting in the Los Angeles Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Literary Gathering

PARIS — M. Emile Zola presided at the second dinner of the *Plume*, held in the Latin Quarter last night. The president declared his passion for everything that could help in advancing towards the ideal, however audacious or even mad that something might be. Parisian literary Bohemia was fairly well represented by MM. Aurélien Scholl, Verlaine, Toudouze, Papus, Willy, A. Boutique, Jules de Marthold, Léon Riotor and Léon Deschamps, director of the *Plume*.

1917: For Conscription

NEW YORK — After two years passed without meeting, says the *New York Herald's* Washington correspondent, Mr. Theodore Roosevelt and President Wilson yesterday [April 11] buried the hatchet. The President magnanimously shook the hand of the man who has been his bitterest critic. From now on they will unite their forces with the object of securing universal service or conscription, as Mr. Roosevelt bluntly calls it. The "Big Stick" method, joined with Mr. Wilson's quieter tactics, will be used to force Congress to endorse the universal service scheme of raising an army. Following an hour's conference with the President, Mr. Roosevelt became a lobbyist.

1942: 'Fierce Air Fight'

LONDON — [From our New York edition:] The Royal Air Force ran into "some of the fiercest air fighting since the Battle of Britain" on a bombing sweep today [April 12] against the railroad yards at Hazebrouck, in northern France, and indications were that losses in aircraft were relatively heavy on both sides. The British acknowledged the loss of one bomber and 13 fighter planes in the thick of the numerous dogfights that developed when the R.A.F. encountered German planes in force. Two British fighter pilots bailed out and were reported to be safe.

CAPITAL MARKETS

Suddenly, Bonds Take A Turn for the Better

By Carl Gewirtz
International Herald Tribune

PARIS — Bond markets in Europe and Japan are widely considered the big winners after last week's near-panic in world financial markets. That optimism, however, is based on the assumption that the Tokyo stock market stabilizes, reducing fears that Japanese investors will be selling foreign assets to make up for losses suffered at home.

"The Tokyo market is around its lows," ventures Brendan Brown, London-based analyst for Mitsubishi Finance International. But, he adds, "it may be a bumpy ride along the bottom" as investors wait for convincing signs of an economic upturn that Mr. Brown doesn't see emerging until the final months of this year.

Europe has reason for optimism, and Japan may too if the BOJ pumps in liquidity.

Mark Cliffe, London-based analyst for Nomura Research Institute, agrees that "it's difficult to say the worst is over. Last week's rally gave a big psychological boost to the market, but that was a technically driven move and the market clearly remains intensely nervous and very unpredictable."

What's needed to consolidate Friday's gains, experts say, is for the Bank of Japan to pump out liquidity to push down money market rates. This can be done without further lowering the discount rate, which was cut by three-quarters of a point March 31.

The long-term aim, in their view, has to be to push first money-market and then bond-market rates so low as to drive Japanese investors back into the stock market and ultimately into foreign markets in the search for better returns. The expectation that this will occur explains why analysts are forecasting a sharp rally in the yen bond market.

Europe, meanwhile, has special reasons to be optimistic. John Major's surprise victory was seen in financial markets as good news for Britain, especially welcome after the recent electoral setbacks suffered by establishment parties in Italy, France and Germany.

In addition, Pierre Bérégovoy, in his first speech as prime minister to the National Assembly, reassured markets that the French Socialists were not about to try to spend their way to a victory in next year's legislative elections.

OF EQUAL SIGNIFICANCE, analysts said, was a comment from a Bundesbank board member, Norbert Kloten, that the growth in German money supply should fall to within its targeted range by year-end, opening the possibility of lower interest rates by the second half of the year. Pessimists had given up hope for a rate cut anytime this year.

Likewise, the hard line taken by the Bonn government on wage talks with public-sector workers — even if this results in a strike — was seen as a positive development. Once wage settlements are clearly established to be cooling down, the Bundesbank will have leeway to relax its tight anti-inflation policy, analysts conclude.

"All in all, the world is suddenly looking like a much safer place than it was at mid-week," said Jonathan Wilmot at Credit Suisse First Boston in London.

For Malcolm Roberts of UBS Phillips & Drew in London, bond markets "are at a major turning point. The near-term outlook is for reduced risks across the global market."

Yields on U.K. government bonds tumbled three-quarters of a point after the election news and almost £4 billion of new paper was sold to mop up the demand. The government also announced plans to auction 20- to 25-year bonds — maturities aimed at domestic investors — leaving plenty of room for a further rise in the price of 10-year paper favored by international investors.

With British inflation at 4 percent, below German levels, and 10-year yields 1.47 percentage points higher than German levels, Mr. Wilmot expects an investment inflow that could push sterling up from its current level of almost 2.89 Deutsche marks to over 3 DM — giving Britain room to lower its short-term interest rates.

Although other European bond markets advanced Friday, the moves were driven by futures market activity rather than buying in the cash market, as in Britain. Bankers expect investors may not return to the markets in force until after Easter.

Although the surprise cut in the U.S. federal funds rate late Thursday sparked Tokyo's recovery Friday, neither U.S. bonds nor the dollar are expected to be the center of attention this week.

Analysts dismissed the 0.5 percent increase in March consumer prices as an aberration, but it still injects enough doubt about inflation to prevent the bond market from rallying. In addition, with the May refunding coming up, the market will be tamed by worries of how the new supply of paper will be absorbed.

The dollar, said John Lipsky of Salomon Brothers, is likely to be capped by worries that the Federal Reserve may again lower rates. He expects coming economic data to be "downbeat," particularly that on retail sales and money supply.

CURRENCY RATES

Cross Rates April 10

	$	£	DM	FF	Lira	DFl	BF	SF	Yen	C$	Peseta
Amsterdam	1.829	3.2845	1.1265	0.3325	0.1495 *	—	5.4725 *	1.234	1.5885 *	1.5395	1.7985 *
Brussels	33.3325	59.855	20.525	6.075	2.7304 *	18.277	—	22.525	0.2921	28.07	32.72 *
Frankfurt	1.4545	2.579	—	0.2953	0.1328 *	0.8881	4.861 *	1.0899	1.2255 *	1.3163	1.531 *
London (a)	1.772	—	2.3888	9.748	2.144188	2.3454	59.21	2.453	228.385	2.1963	188.94
Madrid	188.155	181.832	62.189	18.568	8.346 *	55.349	3.8554	48.535	77.803 *	83.804	—
Milan	1.725.00	2.348.50	753.55	222.67	—	649.26	36.408	926.88	9.934	1.069.40	11.981
New York (b)	—	1.7455 e	1.6545	5.54	1.222.00	1.9421	33.655	1.507	132.90	1.3848	102.75
Paris	5.5915	9.252	3.3869	—	0.4495 *	3.0979	0.1646	3.6988	43.488 *	4.626	3.3845 *
Tokyo	123.29	204.79	81.66	26.11	8.1000	72.325	3.97	88.93	—	111.31	1.5946
Toronto	1.1067	2.005	0.7297	0.234	0.0902 *	0.6435	3.541 *	0.7874	0.8929 *	—	1.154 *
Zurich	1.4925	2.4455	0.9188	0.2773	0.122 *	0.8167	4.4672 *	—	1.1266 *	1.2558	1.4579 *
1 ECU	1.2598	0.7106	2.6454	6.9579	1.541.34	2.3033	42.8849	1.2719	144.879	1.4478	128.656
1 SDR	1.3882	0.7288	2.7027	7.1933	1.498.48	2.5346	44.3971	2.6586	152.396	1.4348	148.971

*Closings in Amsterdam, London, New York, Toronto and Zurich, fixings in other centers. a: To buy one pound; b: To buy one dollar; *: Units of 100; N.Q.: not quoted; N.A.: not available.*

Other Dollar Values

Currency	Per $	Currency	Per $	Currency	Per $	Currency	Per $
Argentine peso	0.97	Greek drac.	189.85	Mex. peso	3059.80	S. Kor. won	779.40
Austral. $	1.3858	Hong Kong $	7.733	N. Zealand $	1.8399	S. Afr. rand	2.84
Austr. sch.	11.62	Indian rupee	29.07	Norw. krone	6.3715	Swed. krona	5.885
Brazil cruz.	2845.73	Indo. rupiah	2072.52	Phil. peso	24.23	Taiwan $	24.91
Chinese yuan*	5.4675	Irish $	0.6956	Port. escudo	139.45	Thai baht	25.62
Danish krone	6.2995	Israeli shek.	2.3371	Russian ruble*	90.00	Turkish lira	6218.00
Egypt. pound	3.3144	Kuwaiti dinar	0.2956	Saudi riyal	3.7495	UAE dirham	3.6727
Fin. markka	4.422	Malay. ring.	2.546	Sing. $	1.6508	Venez. bolív.	45.05

*Official rate. e Tourist rate (commercial rate: 1.6980.)

Forward Rates

Currency	30-day	60-day	90-day	Currency	30-day	60-day	90-day
Pound Sterling	1.7004	1.7030	1.7058	Canadian dollar	1.1921	1.1951	1.1974
Deutsche mark	1.6321	1.6400	1.6471	Japanese yen	122.53	122.59	122.62
Swiss franc	1.4981	1.5038	1.5086				

Sources: NMB Bank (Amsterdam); Indosuez Bank (Brussels); Banca Commerciale Italiana (Milan); Banque Nationale de Paris (Paris); Bank of Tokyo (Tokyo); Royal Bank of Canada (Toronto); IMF (SDR); Gosbank (ruble). Other data from Reuters and AP.

Last Week's Markets

All figures are as of close of trading Friday

Stock Indexes

United States	April 10	April 3	Close
DJ Indus.	3,255.32	3,349.11	+8.19 %
DJ Util.	204.12	203.99	+0.06 %
DJ Trans.	1,347.35	1,348.28	—0.07 %
S & P 100	379.82	376.94	+0.76 %
S & P 500	404.29	401.55	+0.68 %
S & P Ind.	482.02	476.49	+1.16 %
NYSE Cp	223.27	221.86	+0.64 %
Britain			
FTSE-100	2,572.60	2,382.70	+7.97 %
FT 30	2,801.10	1,851.40	+8.09 %
Japan			
Nikkei 225	17,851.	18,560.	—3.82 %
Germany			
DAX	1,736.07	1,719.63	+0.96 %
Hong Kong			
Hang Seng	4,921.71	4,916.70	+0.10 %
World			
MSCI P	468.99	477.50	—1.80 %

World Index From Morgan Stanley Capital Int'l.

Money Rates

United States	April 10	April 3
Discount rate	3½	3½
Prime rate	6½	6½
Federal funds rate	3¾	3¾
Japan		
Discount	3%	3%
Call money	4¼	4¼
3-month interbank	4 21/32	4¼
Germany		
Lombard	9%	9%
Call money	9.65	9.70
3-month interbank	9.70	9%
Britain		
Bank base rate	10½	10½
Call money	10%	10%
3-month interbank	10 7/16	11⅛
Gold	April 10	April 3
London p.m. fix $	347.90	340.60

Close +0.38 %

Germany Parries U.S. Thrust on Rates

International Herald Tribune

PARIS — The season of international economic conferences, starting with the spring meeting of the International Monetary Fund at the end of the month and culminating in the July summit of the Group of Seven, opened as usual last week with the United States calling for lower interest rates and Germany again saying it was not possible.

Officials also discussed help for Russia, agreeing that there was need for massive aid but saying that many details needed to be sorted out.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady renewed his call for rate cuts in Washington last week and repeated it during a weekend meeting with Prime Minister Pierre Bérégovoy of France and Finance Minister Michel Sapin. Mr. Brady was en route to Budapest for the annual meeting of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

In Paris, Mr. Brady said that fear of inflation need not inhibit policymakers as "policies that have been in place for a number of years have got inflation under control."

French officials said there was agreement on a "need to accelerate world recovery."

However, speaking for policymakers from the leading industrialized countries that met at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development on Friday and Saturday, Hans Tietmeyer, deputy head of the Bundesbank, said there was agreement that there was "no real room for more stimulative monetary policy" nor any "quick fix" to spur growth.

Mr. Tietmeyer, chairman of the OECD committee of senior policymakers called Working Party Three, reiterated the committee's view that "fiscal consolidation," or lower budget deficits, was the best way to assure "sustainable growth in the industrialized countries."

He said there was "no criticism of Germany monetary policy" and "a feeling that Germany's policy mix should be improved, as is intended" by the government. He said German interest rates were not likely to change in the short term.

He said the outlook for this year is for a resumption of growth during the second half, although that growth will be below expectations.

Asked whether the upset in financial markets last week had been discussed at the meeting, Mr. Tietmeyer said the committee had "agreed to study the question of financial markets and their impact on economic activity" at its next meeting in the autumn.

Mr. Tietmeyer said first-quarter growth in Germany would be positive, with a year-on-year growth rate of 2 percent. He also said growth from the first to third quarter would run at a 3 percent annual rate, comprising expected growth rates of 10 percent in the former East Germany and 1.5 percent in the former West Germany.

The forecast for Japan, he said, is for recovery in the second quarter and second half of the year following a first quarter that was "not positive."

Although mixed signs warrant some caution, Mr. Tietmeyer said there were "signs of recovery in the United States."

He said a "positive element in the world economy" was the increasing growth rate of developing countries, which are expected to post a 4 percent advance this year.

Proposals for a $6 billion fund to stabilize the ruble also were discussed at the Working Party Three and at a meeting of the Group of 10 that followed.

Mr. Tietmeyer said officials agreed that aid for Russia "should not be used to finance a gap in its balance of payments." Western lenders need to be sure that "appropriate macroeconomic policies are in place," he said, adding that this requires Russia to agree to and implement an economic program approved by the International Monetary Fund.

Russia is expected to join the IMF by the end of this month.

Lamberto Dini, deputy head of the Bank of Italy and chairman of the G-10, said that the IMF lacked the resources to fund such a stabilization program and that the financing would be provided by the General Agreement to Borrow, a special facility funded by the 11 governments that make up the G-10.

— CARL GEWIRTZ

German Growth In '92 Is Forecast Lower Yet, at 1%

Reuters

FRANKFURT — Germany's top economic think tanks, in one of the gloomiest forecasts yet, are predicting a sharp slowdown in growth, rising prices and higher unemployment in affluent Western Germany, according to reports on Sunday.

Five leading economic institutes, in their spring report, also urged federal and state governments to put a tight lid on spending, swollen by transfers to Eastern Germany.

The institutes forecast that gross national product in the western part of the country would grow just 1 percent, after 3.1 percent growth in 1991. The forecast represents a downward revision from a report last fall, when the institutes predicted Western Germany's economy would grow by 2 percent in 1992. By the end of last year, some of the institutes individually were saying that growth might be only about 1.5 percent.

The influential institutes will make their findings public on Monday, but details of the reports were leaked to the domestic media ahead of their official release.

In addition, according to the newspaper reports, the spring forecast envisages a rise in the West German inflation rate to 3.75 percent for 1992, after inflation climbed to a 10-year high of 3.6 percent for 1991. East German inflation is seen easing to 12 percent from 13.6 percent last year.

The institutes also predicted a West German jobless rate of 5.8 percent after 5.5 percent last year.

The report called for federal and state governments to come up with a binding agreement to hold the rise in total government spending to no more than 4 percent in the years 1993 to 1996. In view of a disproportionate increase in interest payments, this would mean an actual freeze in other spending.

The Bundesbank in its March report warned that the avalanche of spending on Eastern Germany, along with the accompanying rise in budget deficits, could lead to higher taxes.

And a finance expert at one of the economic institutes said that total German public sector debt, which swelled to more than 1.3 trillion Deutsche marks ($794 billion) last year, would reach 1.8 trillion DM by 1994.

Albert Boss of the Kiel economic research institute said: "You have to figure spending will go up, considering aid for Eastern Europe and added spending for European Community union that Bonn has backed."

The sharp rise in debt is being fueled by subsidies, welfare benefits and investments in Eastern Germany. Adding to the problem are special funds set up to help pay to rebuild the region. The money is kept on separate books but is likely to surface and haunt Bonn in the mid-1990s.

The Bundesbank said cash transfers by the Bonn government to Eastern Germany had risen to 140 billion DM in 1991 and were likely to hit 180 billion DM this year, or 6.5 percent of GNP.

China Urged To Suspend Stock Issues

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BEIJING — China's method of selling shares to foreigners is immature and new issues should be temporarily halted, an architect of China's fledgling markets said Sunday.

The criticism came as an initial rush to purchase "B" shares, sold only to foreign investors, has fizzled due to bureaucratic obstacles and inadequate legal protection.

"We have to come to realize that there is something wrong with our way of issuing and trading B shares," said Wang Poming, vice chairman of the Stock Exchange Executive Council. That body, a private one with close government connections, played a major role in setting up China's two stock markets in Shanghai and Shenzhen.

"We should stop and reflect for a while before we issue too many and hurt the markets as well as foreign investors," Mr. Wang was quoted as saying by the China Daily.

Trading in B shares started in February with enthusiasm. But trading recently has turned thin.

Legal protection, information disclosure, corporate accounting procedures and trading mechanisms are all "far below Western standards," the newspaper said.

(AFP, Reuters)

Moscow Infighting Threatens Aid Plan

By Steve Greenhouse
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The Russian government's moves to slacken its tough economic policy and hints by free-market advocates that they will resign could delay the flow of Western aid to Russia and the creation of a ruble stabilization fund.

The $24 billion aid package announced by President George Bush was intended to help President Boris N. Yeltsin press ahead with changes, but his backtracking this past week, caused largely by pressure from a hostile parliament, could delay key pieces of the package.

Economists say that the Russian government's moves to ease credit and otherwise appease members of parliament antagonistic to rapid change will likely push up Russia's already daunting inflation rate and make it harder to create conditions for stabilizing the ruble.

These developments are also expected to raise new obstacles to Russia's signing an agreement with the International Monetary Fund. Officials from the industrialized nations known as the Group of Seven say a Monetary Fund agreement would be the key development unlocking billions of dollars in aid and allowing the $6 billion ruble stabilization to move forward.

Yegor T. Gaidar, the chief architect of Mr. Yeltsin's economic policy, hinted that he might resign after the Congress of People's Deputies voted on Saturday to force Mr. Yeltsin to relinquish his concurrent position as prime minister within three months. Mr. Gaidar fears that without Mr. Yeltsin as prime minister it will be impossible to push through the changes that often hurt consumers or industry.

"This week's developments could endanger the possibility of an IMF agreement," said Stanley Fischer, an economics professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and former chief economist at the World Bank.

On a visit to Moscow two weeks ago, Treasury Undersecretary David C. Mulford praised Mr. Yeltsin's economic policy. But he said that to qualify for Monetary Fund aid, the changes had to be tightened up, for example, by cutting the budget deficit further. Mr. Mulford and Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady are scheduled to visit Moscow on Tuesday to discuss aid and the state of the economy.

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Stanley Fischer, former chief economist of the World Bank

"People are somewhat concerned about the developments this week in Moscow," a Treasury official said. "But I don't think anyone is willing to say that this will necessarily slow down the process."

The moves the Yeltsin administration announced last week to placate hostile members of parliament appear to conflict with the tightening up that G-7 officials are seeking.

The Russian government said it would increase pensions, provide new credits to cash-strapped state farms and factories, and delay plans to let energy prices jump to world levels. Raising energy prices would cut domestic consumption of oil and increase oil exports, helping improve Russia's balance of payments.

While they worked behind the scenes to put together the $24 billion Russian aid package, Treasury officials said they hoped massive new aid would start flowing a few weeks after Russia joins the Monetary Fund, which is expected to take place in late April.

They also said they hoped a ruble stabilization fund would start in June or July, noting that stabilizing the ruble was crucial for steadying Russia's teetering economy.

"Their decision to ease up on the budget and on credit will make it much more difficult to stabilize the ruble," Professor Fischer said. "All the things I have heard in the last few days make it less likely they will get a ruble stabilization fund in June."

Mr. Yeltsin's painful program has included lifting most price controls, slashing subsidies to consumers, and cutting the budget deficit and money-supply growth. Many of those measures are part of a preliminary Monetary Fund program that Russia is following.

This past week's moves boosting outlays and easing credit are sure to create tensions with the IMF.

"It looks as if both the deficit and inflation are going to be higher, so I don't see how some of these IMF guidelines can be fulfilled," said Padma Desai, an expert on the Russian economy at the Harriman Institute at Columbia University in New York.

Economists say that before beginning a ruble stabilization fund it is necessary to rein in inflation, because so long as prices gallop skyward there will be capital flight in which many Russians deposit their savings in hard-currency accounts abroad. This will hurt Russia's balance of payments as well as confidence in the ruble.

Among Japan's CEOs, the Latest Competition Is for Pay Cuts

By David E. Sanger
New York Times Service

TOKYO — American executives often wince and stumble for explanations when their hefty pay packages are compared with the relatively modest compensation received by their Japanese counterparts.

Now the comparison is becoming even more uncomfortable. With Japan's economy hitting the wall and corporate profits dropping, industrial leaders are suddenly competing with each other to see who can absorb the deepest pay cut.

In the last few weeks alone, the chiefs of companies like Hitachi, Fujitsu, IBM Japan and Japan Airlines have called in reporters to say that with business this bad, they are slashing their base pay by upward of 35 percent.

At Ricoh Corp., one of Japan's leading makers of copiers, the company is about to post its first operating loss in decades.

Hiroshi Hamada, Ricoh's president, has already taken a 20 percent pay cut. And a few weeks ago the order went out to Ricoh's top executives: Each one must walk around with a formal letter of resignation in his breast pocket.

"It is more a ritual kind of resignation than an actual one, and that could be easily misunderstood in the West, where there is no real equivalent," said Hiroshi Sakagami, a company spokesman, who said none have been accepted. "But it is symbolically important as a sign of our resolve to improve business performance."

Without question, some of the announced pay cuts seem more than a little self-serving. Many executives seem to be hoping that their sacrifices will overshadow some poor decisions and loose spending in the boom times that suddenly ended last year.

But coming just months after the trip to Tokyo by President George Bush was tainted by his accompanying entourage of high-paid executives, several of whom run companies in far worse shape than their Japanese competitors, the political symbolism of the Japanese cuts seems particularly stark.

"In America in tough times, executives might cut their big bonus pay for the year," said Stephen F. O'Byrne, a principal in Towers Perrin, a consulting firm that tracks some executive pay issues. "In Japan, they cut the base salary. That sends a very different message."

While some American executives have also seen their compensation decline, most stock-bonus plans and profit-sharing incentives work according to strict formulas, allowing executives to gather wealth in good years and leaving them little downside risk.

The base salary cuts, however, are usually regarded as a more serious — and often longer-lasting — matter.

Even with corporate losses, the base pay of American executives does not usually go down.

Last year, for example, Lee A. Iacocca, chairman of Chrysler Corp., received a rise in base pay of about 6 percent, to $976,378, although his total pay package, including bonuses and incentives, shrank by more than a third.

Robert L. Crandall, chairman of AMR Corp., parent of American Airlines, said his base pay of about $600,000 had stayed the same for three years of lower profits and losses. His total compensation in 1990 was off by about a third.

The Japanese are hardly cutting their pay to satisfy shareholders, as have some big American companies. Shareholders in Japan have far less clout than in America.

For the Japanese, pay cuts are just another form of apology, perhaps a little more meaningful than a deep, remorseful bow on national television when record-low earnings are announced.

No one is quite sure exactly how much Japanese executives are hurting because no

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Time to Discover What Makes John Major Tick

LONDON — In the savagely satirical television puppet show "Spitting Images" the most striking feature about the John Major doll is that he is — from head to toe, from suit to socks — a monochromatic gray.

Satire aside, on the campaign trail and indeed in more than 16 months at No. 10 money the developer doesn't have and its banks would prefer not to lend, Olympia & York suffers from no lack of company at the brink.

Heron International and Speyhawk, both companies facing immense writedowns in the value of their property holdings, have announced in the last couple of weeks that they are having to restructure their debts. (Page 11)

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London Notebook

Downing Street, Britain's prime minister has never left many clues as to his own bedrock beliefs. Now that he has been elected in his own right, "we can see what John Major really believes," said Steven Bell, chief economist at Morgan Grenfell. The striking thing is that Mr. Major's true views should have remained a mystery for so long.

Mr. Major's attitude toward Europe is a classic example. Many analysts expect the prime minister to finally hoist the flag of European unity over Downing Street in coming weeks. Others beg to differ. "I think he has moved as far toward Europe as he himself would like to," said Andrew Britton, head of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research.

Saturday's cabinet reshuffle gave the first hard evidence of what may be in store. But it presented a mixed picture with, for instance, Michael Heseltine, a man not shy about state intervention, taking over the Department of Trade and Industry while Michael Portillo, an unbowed Thatcherite who champions an unfettered free market, became chief secretary to the Treasury, the cabinet's budget watchdog.

The Crowd at the Brink

Monday's scheduled meeting in Toronto of the property developer Olympia & York with representatives of its scores of bank lenders will mark yet another low point for the real-estate sector. In London, where O&Y's immense — and, some argue, unreachable — Canary Wharf project continues to suck in

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Dividend Damage

In recent months many British corporations have found themselves under attack for the princely sums they continue to pay their top executives in spite of puny corporate earnings. A number of analysts now insist that often overlooked is the fact that shareholders are being overpaid as well.

Bruce Campbell, managing director of the investment managers Pyford International in London, points out that in spite of the recession's heavy toll on corporate profits many companies are maintaining their dividends. In Britain he calculates that 70 percent of corporate earnings are now parceled back out to their investors.

"They should be conserving cash and paying off debts rather than doling it out to shareholders," he said.

Not only does the practice render companies financially weaker and more vulnerable should the recession drag on, but it also bodes ill for dividends and thus for share prices when sales finally turn up again. British companies will likely have to disappoint shareholders later on when business finally improves.

"When earnings do recover that will not be matched by a commensurate rise in dividends," said Paul Turnbull, chief economist with the securities firm of Smith New Court.

Perfection in Parking

Forgotten, perhaps, among all the hoopla surrounding the general election last week was the outcome of a more uniquely British ballot. On Tuesday, with attendant fanfare, His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester presented the trophies for the nation's top parking garages in both the urban and rural categories.

Recapping that little noticed event, the winner by a windshield in the urban category was the Bridgefoot Multi-Story Car Park, which the judges commended for an interior that produced an extraordinary "sense of well-being."

The Downham Village Car Park, a far humbler, 38-space facility that took top honors in the rural category, was particularly lauded for "the quality and extent of the toilet facilities." The male, female, disabled and baby facilities were all said to be of "exquisite design."

Helpfully for car park designers keen to drive home with the top award next year, the judges provided a list of 30 do's and don'ts "for the caring car park." Hint: Avoid "claustrophobic and smelly" tunnels for pedestrians.

Erik Ipsen

BANCA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA

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Bank of National Interest

The Shareholders of Banca Commerciale Italiana are called to an **Ordinary and Extraordinary General Meeting** to be held at Piazza Belgioioso 1, Milan, Italy, at 10 a.m. on **29th April 1992**, and if necessary for the second time of convening on **25th May 1992** at the same time and place, to resolve the following

Agenda

Ordinary Part
1) Reports of Board of Directors and of Internal Auditors; submission of Accounts as at 31st December 1991 and resolutions arising therefrom.
2) Appointment of Board of Internal Auditors and of his Chairman and their remuneration.
3) Appointment of the External Auditors for the period 1992/1994, as for D.P.R. 31.3.75, n. 136 art. 2.

Extraordinary Part
4) Proposed amendments to the articles 2, 4, 12, 22, 28, 29, 30 and 31 of the Articles of Association.
5) Proposed merger by incorporation of Sesto 88 MN S.r.l., Milan, and of Immobiliare Verde 90 S.r.l., Milan, with Banca Commerciale Italiana S.p.A., Milan. Determination of merger conditions and procedures. Resolutions arising therefrom and delegation of powers.

Holders of shares bearing the right to vote are entitled to take part in the General Meeting provided that they have deposited their shares with the Bank or with Monte Titoli at least five days before the date of the General Meeting, in accordance with the provision of Art. 4 of Law No. 1745 of 29th December 1962. This also applies to those who are registered on the Share Register.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors

WEEKLY INTERNATIONAL BOND PRICES

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Dollar Straights

Issuer	Coupon	Mat	Price	Yld	Spd Tryy

Governments/ Supranationals

African Dev Bk	7¾	02	99¼	7.97	+35
Aldk	8¼	02	100½	7.36	
Alberta Prov	7¾	02	99¾	7.88	+35
Asfinag	7¾	02	99¾	7.85	+35
Asian Dev Bk	7¾	02	99¾	7.85	+35
Asian Dev Bk	7½	02	99¾	7.61	+33
Asian Dev Bk	7¾	03	100¾	7.61	+33
Australia	11	03	111	6.74	+31
Australia	11¼	05	113¼	7.87	+43
Australia	11¼	95	113¾	8.61	+43
Australia	11¼	98	113¾	7.21	+31
Austri Central	12	95	108¾	5.89	+35
Austri Central	12	96	113¾	6.56	+41
Austri Central	9¾	97	103¾	6.91	+41
Austri Central	9¾	98	103¾	7.16	+43
Austri Central	9¾	98	103¾	7.16	+43
Austri Central	9¾	98	103¾	7.16	+43
Austri Central	9¾	98	103¾	7.16	+43
Austria	10	98	106¾	7.24	+35
Austria	11¼	92	107¾	6.86	+46
Austria	7¾	96	100¾	7.16	+37
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Austria	7¾	98	100¾	7.16	+37
Austria	7¾	98	100¾	7.16	+37
Austria Post	10½	94	107¾	7.79	+43
B F C E	7¾	96	100¾	7.11	+37
Belgium	7¾	98	100¾	7.24	+35
Belgium	9¾	98	103		

New International Bond Issues

Compiled by James E. Connell

Issuer	Amount (millions)	Mat.	Coup. %	Price	Price end week	Terms
Floating Rate Notes						
BBL Cayman	$75	1997	0.425	100	—	Over 6-month Libor. Noncallable private placement. Fees 0.475%. Denominations $250,000. (Bayerische Landesbank Singapore.)
Companhia Petroquimica Comocarri	$75	1997	⅛	100	—	Over 6-month Libor. Sinking fund to start in 1994. Denominations $500,000. Fees not disclosed. (Bank of Tokyo Capital Markets.)
Osiris	FF 584.10	1997	¼	100	—	Over 3-month Fibor. Average life 1.92 years. Fees 0.125%. (Paribas Capital Markets.)
World Bank	ECU 200	2002	⅛	100	—	Below 3-month Libor. Reoffered at 99.85. Callable at par from 1997. Fees 0.3375%. (UBS—Phillips & Drew Securities.)
European Investment Bank	¥ 35,000	2008	½	99.90	—	Below 6-month Libor. Callable at par from 1993 and redeemable at par in 2000. Fees 0.25%. Denominations 50 million yen. (LTCB Int'l.)
Fixed-Coupons						
Banco Real	$70	1994	9½	99.10	—	Semiannually. Noncallable. Fees 1¼%. Denominations $10,000. (ABN Amro.)
Companhia Vale do Rio Doce	$150	1995	9	99.871	99.625	Semiannually. Noncallable. Fees 1%. Denominations $50,000. (Chase Investment Bank.)
Ericsson (L.M.)	$150	1997	7¼	101.45	100.25	Reoffered at 99.95. Noncallable. Fees 1⅞%. (Credit Suisse First Boston.)
Export Development Corp.	$400	2002	7¼	99.665	99.90	Noncallable. Fees 0.325% (Credit Suisse First Boston.)
Finland	$500	1997	7¼	99.675	100.10	Noncallable. Fees 0.25%. (Morgan Stanley Int'l.)
Bayerische Vereinsbank Overseas Finance	DM 300	2002	8⅛	102	—	Noncallable subordinated notes. Fees 2½%. (Bayerische Vereinsbank.)
BP America	DM 100	2002	8⅛	102.30	—	Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to 300 million marks. Fees 2½%. (CSFB Effectenbank.)
Deutsche Finance Netherlands	DM 500	2002	8⅛	102.30	—	Noncallable subordinated notes. Fees 2½%. (Deutsche Bank.)
Industrial Development Corp.	DM 50	1997	10	100	—	Noncallable private placement. Fees 1¼%. (Commerzbank.)
Cable and Wireless Int'l Finance	£ 50	2002	10⅜	101⅝	—	Reoffered at par. Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to £200 million. Fees 2%. Denominations £10,000. (Samuel Montagu & Co.)
Crédit Foncier de France	FF 400	2002	4	99.97	—	Reoffered at 99.47. Noncallable. Each 10,000-franc note with 25 warrants exercisable until 1994 into French Government bonds paying 8½% and due 2023. Fees not disclosed. (J.P. Morgan Securities France.)
Finance for Danish Industry	DK 200	1997	8¾	100⅛	98.125	Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to 450 million kroner. Fees 1¼%. (Kreditbank.)
Eurofima	ECU 40	1999	8⅛	99½	—	Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to 300 million Ecus. Fees not disclosed. (Swiss Bank Corp.)
European Community	ECU 185	1998	9¼	101.836	101.90	Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to 112 billion Ecus. Fees 0.275%. (BNP Capital Markets.)
British Columbia	C$ 300	1997	9¼	101.485	100.65	Reoffered at 99.86. Noncallable. Fees 1¾%. (Swiss Bank Corp.)
Canadian National Railways	C$ 150	1999	9⅝	100.945	100.10	Reoffered at 99.42. Noncallable. Fees 1⅝%. (ScotiaMcLeod.)
Toyota Credit Canada	C$ 125	1997	9	101⅛	99.95	Reoffered at 99½. Noncallable. Fees 1⅜%. (Wood Gundy.)
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Aus$ 100	1996	9¾	101.75	100.90	Noncallable. Fees 1¼%. (Commonwealth Bank of Australia.)
State Bank of South Australia	Aus$ 25	1998	10	100⅝	—	Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total to Aus$225 million. Fees not disclosed. (Hambros Bank.)
Furukawa Electric	¥ 20,000	1996	6	101.70	—	Reoffered at 100%. Noncallable. Denominations 10 million yen. Fees 1⅛%. (Yamaichi Int'l Europe.)
Equity-Linked						
Gunze	$130	1996	3⅜	100	—	Noncallable. Each $5,000 note with one warrant exercisable into company's shares at 592 yen per share and at 134.10 yen per dollar. Fees 2¼%. (Nomura Int'l.)
Nankai Electric Railway	$300	1996	3⅜	100	—	Noncallable. Each $5,000 note with one warrant exercisable into company's shares at 719 yen per share and at 134.70 yen per dollar. Fees 2½%. (Daiwa Europe.)
Shinko Wire	DM 60	1996	5¼	100	101.625	Noncallable. Each 5,000-mark note with five warrants exercisable into company's shares at 448 yen per share and at 82.84 yen per mark. Fees 2¼%. (Yamaichi Bank Deutschland.)

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What Follows the Markets' Roller-Coaster Ride?

For Bonds, the Fear Of Inflation Lingers

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK — The U.S. Treasury market appears balanced between expectations of weak economic data and lingering uncertainty about inflation, and the combination is likely to keep prices from moving much this week, analysts said.

"There is no strong sense of market direction," said Robert Falconer, senior economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. "Expectations are for favorable data. Retail sales, auto sales, and industrial production give us a positive bias at the start of the week. But investors are comfortable wherever they are," he said.

U.S. CREDIT MARKETS

Most of that data is expected to show a slow economy, good news for bond traders in that it minimizes chances of accelerating inflation and rising interest rates.

March U.S. retail sales will be released Tuesday, and are expected to fall 0.4 percent. Also Tuesday, the report of car sales for the April 1-10 period is expected to slow a slippage to a 6.0 million annual rate. Industrial output figures are due Wednesday and are seen rising just 0.2 percent.

All this data, however, comes after the surprise news on Friday that consumer prices had risen 0.5 percent in March. Although many experts dismissed this apparent burst of inflation as a quirk caused by ill-calibrated seasonal adjustments, the bond market still took fright and sold off.

The price rise was "not something that was concentrated in any one sector," said David Wyss, chief financial economist at DRI/McGraw Hill in Lexington, Massachusetts. "The fact that this was so broad-based was disturbing."

Analysts say some of this inflation fear is likely to linger in the market.

The price report, which came the day after the Federal Reserve Board lowered the federal funds rate a quarter point to 3.75 percent, raised angry questions among some credit market participants about what motivated the Fed to ease monetary policy.

"You have to assume that the governors didn't know what the consumer price numbers were going to show," one government bond trader said. "But if they did know, then what they did on Thursday was a purely political move."

For the week, all Treasury securities but the 30-year bond, the most inflation-sensitive, advanced.

The long bond fell just 3/32 on the week to 101 10/32. Its yield crawled up to 7.89 percent from 7.88 percent the previous Friday.

The 7.5 percent 10-year Treasury notes rose 9/32 to 101, their yield falling to 7.36 percent from 7.4 percent.

Three-month T-bills ended at a discount rate of 3.65 percent to yield 3.73 percent compared with 3.97 percent last week.

Mr. Falconer of Aubrey Lanston said he expected long rates to rise over time as the U.S. government's monumental demands for credit force private borrowers to pay more for money as well. *(Reuters, NYT, UPI)*

Stocks Keep Faith In Fed's Easy Stance

By Floyd Norris
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — You want action? You want quick profits? You want embarrassed market analysts? Just step right up and place your bets. Anybody can win. All you need is timing, or luck.

The world's financial markets may not be quite ready to hire carnival touts, but they might as well. The action last week may seem more familiar to denizens of Las Vegas than to readers of treatises on the efficient market theorem.

In Tokyo, the Nikkei stock average fell 11 percent in four days, then gained most of it back in one session. In New York, the Dow Jones industrial average had its worst day of the year but ended the week up 6.26 points, at 3,255.37.

The turnaround came after the Federal Reserve cut its target for the federal funds rate, the rate on overnight loans of reserves among U.S. banks. That sparked buying in New York, and the New York recovery encouraged Tokyo. If you wonder why letting banks borrow for a quarter-point less is the cure for all ills, then you are not in tune with the dominant belief that has sustained U.S. share prices for much of the past year.

"People believe that the Fed, with its $331 billion balance sheet, has the power to right the world's wrongs," said Jim Grant, editor of Grant's Interest Rate Observer.

The prospects for economic recovery might be better if the Fed were not so alone in its battle, but political gridlock and huge budget deficits seem to have ruled out a meaningful fiscal response in Washington, and the Bank of Japan evidently is determined to fight inflation even as prices collapse.

With or without help, however, Alan Greenspan is dedicated to keeping this recovery alive. The recent downward drift in the money supply, along with the deflation of stock and land prices in Tokyo, had shaken confidence, so action was needed.

The Greenspan Fed, Mr. Grant said, seems to be "willing to stop at nothing to head off a '30s-style collapse and prevent the failure of some of the more venturesome lenders."

That "stop-at-nothing" line could yet seem important. The Fed cannot push interest rates below zero, but if this is an era of deflation, and Olympia & York's problems seem to argue that it might be, then even a zero federal funds rate could be a high real interest rate, and as such a deterrent to growth.

Unless and until that is proved, the markets may stumble along. Among Wall Street sayings, "Don't fight the Fed" is among the most reliable, and it is clear that the Fed wants prices to be high.

And with short-term interest rates low, Americans seem to be willing to buy stocks regardless of valuations. The theory seems to be that an 8 percent return is an entitlement that must be available somewhere.

Perhaps the wisest course is to stop trying to understand markets and just sit back and enjoy them. Unlike the county fair, this show never ends.

EC Seeks Rapid Ratification of Deal With EFTA

By Charles Goldsmith
International Herald Tribune

BRUSSELS — Backed by the long-awaited approval of the European Community's highest court, officials said Sunday that they sought to quickly implement a deal to create a 19-nation free-trade area.

The European Court of Justice, which had struck down an earlier accord between the Community and the seven-nation European Free Trade Association, ruled on Saturday that a revised agreement was compatible with EC law.

The pact calls for a new European Economic Area of 380 million people stretching from the Arctic to the Mediterranean, in which EC rules on the free movement of people, goods and capital will apply.

"We are very pleased by the outcome," said a spokesman for the EC Commission. "The European Economic Area is very important for the architecture of Europe in the coming years."

The EC executive said it hoped the accord would be quickly ratified by all 19 national legislatures so it can take effect at the same time the Community's single market begins next Jan. 1.

The 20-month delay between the launch of negotiations and the positive court opinion may make such a timetable overly optimistic, because it could take more time to win ratification in some countries such as Switzerland.

The agreement is seen by many EFTA nations as a mere stepping-stone to full EC membership. Sweden, Austria and Finland have already applied to join the Community, and Norway and Switzerland are expected to soon follow. Iceland and Liechtenstein are the other EFTA nations.

The Luxembourg-based EC Court of Justice rejected an initial trade zone agreement last December on grounds that a joint EC-EFTA court would violate Community law. Negotiators revamped the deal, conceding jurisdiction to the Community over most competition cases and creating a special joint committee to settle other disputes.

In its new opinion, the Court of Justice said it could endorse the *revised pact on condition that the* joint committee did not infringe upon the court's rulings.

Negotiators are expected this week to discuss wording that would meet the court's conditions. The agreement could be initialed as early as Tuesday, with signing by foreign ministers on May 11.

Swiss officials said they sought clarification that Switzerland would not necessarily be bound by an EC Court decision that stemmed from a dispute between another EFTA country and an EC nation.

"In the future, no decision of the European Court of Justice will be binding on Switzerland unless Switzerland has agreed before to accept this decision," said a statement from the Swiss government.

The EFTA office in Brussels said the organization would give a reaction to the court ruling on Monday.

IMF Warns Hungary on Budget Gap

Reuters

BUDAPEST — The International Monetary Fund told Hungary on Sunday to bring its ballooning budget deficit back under control if it wanted the economy to recover.

The deficit is not threatening to reignite inflation, which is slowing significantly, Gyorgy Szapary, the IMF's Budapest representative, told bankers. But the deficit, which has to be financed by government borrowing, is keeping up interest rates and thus hampering a recovery.

The Hungarian government forecast a budget deficit of 70 billion forints ($930 million) for 1992. But in the first quarter alone, the deficit totaled 48 billion forints.

One of the main problems facing the Hungarian economy had been a big drop in output over the last two years, which Mr. Szapary blamed the decline on the collapse of regional trade, especially with the former Soviet Union.

Sabena Pays Airlines for Failed Deal

Reuters

BRUSSELS — Sabena has reimbursed British Airways and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines for the 2 billion Belgian francs ($59 million) they invested in an alliance plan that later collapsed, President Pierre Godfroid said Sunday.

Sabena, which signed an alliance pact with Air France on Friday, said in February that it was being sued by British Airways and KLM over money invested in a planned venture that was canceled at the end of 1990.

Mr. Godfroid said Sunday on Belgian television that he could not pay British Airways and KLM at that time. But "we reached a gentleman's agreement," he said, "and I repeat today that we have no more debts to BA and KLM."

Taiwan's Capital Spigot Shows Signs of Sputtering

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TAIPEI — Taiwan's foreign investment plunged 62.5 percent in the first quarter of 1992 to $281 million, the government said Saturday. Economists said this was due largely to weak economies overseas and rising capital demand for infrastructure projects at home.

The Investment Commission said foreign investment in Taiwan also plunged in the quarter, by 64.5 percent to $214 million. Rising land and labor costs, the appreciation of the Taiwan dollar and lingering political instability were blamed.

Taiwan had been one of the world's top exporters of capital in the 1980s, but this trend is turning.

Growing amounts of Taiwan investment capital are also being diverted to China, which was not aggregated into the commission's figures. The body reported separately that it approved in the first quarter 65 projects filed by local companies for indirect investment in China, amounting to $34.18 million.

New investment in the United States, the main destination for Taiwan capital, rose 11 percent to $58 million. But in Malaysia, the favored Asian destination, the figure fell 93 percent to $24 million. *(Reuters, AFP)*

CEO: *Feeling the Pressure From Boards and Investors*

(Continued from first finance page)

chairman, chief executive and president, is under pressure from shareholders to divvy up his jobs because they say he has too much power.

And others, like Andrew C. Sigler, chief executive of Champion International Corp., have been singled out for receiving bonuses year after year, when investors could have done better with Treasury bills than with Champion stock.

The outside directors' coup at GM, a company renowned for hidebound, insular ways, was a surprise, but it, and the actions at other corporations, is part of the shifting balance of power in corporate America. The grasp of the iron-fisted chief executive is weakening as corporate boards become independent-minded and institutional investors flex their muscles.

As watchdogs on management, and pressure groups, they can be very effective. Institutional investors like pension funds have the biggest shareholdings in most large companies. Legally, the board's role is to oversee the management of a company on behalf of the owners, the shareholders. And naturally, it is the outside directors, in theory, who are best placed to hold management accountable.

"In America, we've *traditionally* had John Wayne CEOs, the lone individual with all the power in his hands," said Jay Lorsch, a professor at the Harvard Business School. "But the norms in corporate America are changing under pressure from institutional investors and outside directors."

The roll call of major companies whose chief executives are now under scrutiny from their boards and big investors is partly a by-product of the intensity of global competition. The watchdogs of capitalism only become concerned when there are problems.

GM, IBM and Citicorp, three icons of corporate America, have all reported 1991 losses that range from sizable to staggering.

"The notion of these three companies and their chief executives being under pressure would have been dismissed as lunacy 10 years ago," said Donald Jacobs, dean of the Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University. "But today, it's simply a fact of life."

Still, far more than general economic conditions are behind the effort to restrain the power of chief executives. The recent furor over executive pay has been attributable

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not just to the multimillion-dollar pay packets some chief executives were lugging home at the same time they were laying off workers by the thousands; it also stems from the fact that they seemed to be effectively paying themselves. Too often, the chief executives picked the board members, who in turn rubber-stamped huge compensation deals for the chief executive.

"CEO pay is merely the symptom of the larger problem — the lack of accountability in corporate America," said Sarah Teslik, executive director of the Council of Institutional Investors, which advises pension funds with total assets of $400 billion.

Executive pay may look excessive but, according to big investors and their advisers, the far greater cost of a system of corporate government stacked in favor of management is companies that are inbred and stodgy, unable to compete against more nimble foreign rivals.

So big pension funds like the California Public Employees Retirement System and the five New York City public employee funds have pushed for a series of structural reforms in corporations, including having a majority of directors be outsiders and putting all outside directors on the board's nominating and compensation committees.

Some big investors and shareholders' groups even advocate curbing the power of chief executives by splitting up the jobs of the chief executive and chairman, and giving the post of chairman to an outsider.

Today, most U.S. corporations combine the two jobs. In Europe, however, splitting the jobs is the norm, and more U.S. companies are starting to consider the European pattern — sometimes, because they are being forced to.

The New York City Employees Retirement System and United Shareholders are sponsoring a proxy resolution to break up Mr. Brennan's job at Sears. Like most shareholder *initiatives*, the resolution is intended mainly as a symbolic step to get management's attention, both at the retailer and in the corporate community in general.

John Nash, president of the National Association of Corporate Directors, estimates that within five years as many as 40 percent of the Fortune 500 companies will have split the jobs of chairman and chief executive, compared with the handful that have separated the roles today.

"A lot of CEOs are getting very uncomfortable," he said.

Euromarts At a Glance

Eurobond Yields

	April 8	April 1
U.S. $ 5 yrs & over	8.02	8.01
U.S. $, 5 to 7 yrs	7.57	7.72
U.S. $, less than 5 yrs	6.31	6.47
Pounds sterling, less than 5 yrs	11.18	11.01
French francs, less than 5 yrs	9.89	9.97
Ind. Yen, less than 5 yrs	12.17	12.89
Deutsch Marks, less than 5 yrs	10.21	10.38
ECUs, 5 yrs & over	8.80	8.82
ECUs, 5 to 7 yrs	8.52	8.95
Can. $, less than 5 yrs	9.84	9.22
Aust. $, less than 5 yrs	9.20	9.65
N.Z. $, less than 5 yrs	8.63	8.48
Yen, 5 to 7 yrs	5.64	5.68
Yen, less than 5 yrs	5.70	5.70

Source: Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

Weekly Sales April 9

Primary Market

	Cedel $	Cedel Nom'l	Euroclear $	Euroclear Nom'l
Straights	206.50	1,544.80	1,167.10	2,851.00
Convert.	—	1.60	—	34.50
FRNs	—	—	80.00	—
ECP	4,715.70	1,881.40	9,989.80	3,234.40
Total	4,922.20	3,427.80	10,836.10	6,319.90

Secondary Market

	Cedel $	Cedel Nom'l	Euroclear $	Euroclear Nom'l
Straights	9,800.50	19,472.40	17,780.20	28,680.60
Convert.	255.40	389.00	716.10	787.60
FRNs	2,725.60	1,210.80	4,471.80	2,188.50
ECP	4,782.50	2,497.50	3,783.70	4,560.10
Total	16,793.80	24,597.70	26,959.80	38,138.80

Source: Euroclear, Cedel.

Libor Rates April 10

	1-month	3-month	6-month
U.S. $	4 1/16	4⅛	4 3/16
Deutsche mark	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Pound sterling	10 9/16	10⅝	10⅝
French franc	10	10	10
ECU	9 13/16	9 15/16	10
Yen	4⅜	4 11/16	4⅝

Sources: Lloyds Bank, Reuters.

U.S. Treasury Bonds

Maturity	Close Bid	Ask	Yield	April 10 Wk.-ago yield
31.03.94	101 2/32	101 4/32	5.17	5.38
15.12.95	99 16/32	99 18/32	5.69	5.87
31.03.97	101 0/32	101 2/32	6.63	6.75
15.04.99	99 26/32	99 28/32	7.03	7.09
15.11.01	100 31/32	101 1/32	7.36	7.40
15.11.21	101 9/32	101 11/32	7.89	7.88

Source: Salomon Inc.

U.S. Consumer Rates

April 10

Tax Exempt Bonds	
Bond Buyer 20-Bond Index	6.70 %
Money Market Funds	
Dimonoho's 7-Day Average	3.74 %
Bank Money Market Accounts	
Bank Rate Monitor Index	3.55 %
Home Mortgage, FHLB average	6.84 %

Source : New York Times Service, UPI.

MUTUAL FUNDS

(Continued)

	Bid	Ask
Sentinel Group:		
Balan	14.21	15.53
Bond	6.48	6.84
Comm S	27.00	30.49
GwSec	18.03	18.97
Grwth	16.94	17.88
TF Inc	12.83	13.54
Sentry	14.64	NL
Sequoia	22.48	NL
Shearson Funds:		
Advsr p	23.83	24.37
AstrGr	20.19	21.25
Astrec	9.98	10.51
ATIS	8.65	9.11
ATIn	101.39	101.39
AZ Mu	9.79	10.31
CalMu	15.86	16.69
FdVal	6.79	7.15
GlbOp	24.13	25.48
HiYld	13.51	14.22
MedG	12.81	13.27
MAMun	13.98	14.51
MAMu	12.57	13.02
NJMu	12.53	13.19
NYMu	14.68	17.56
NYMu p	9.97	10.46
PrcAp	12.88	13.47
PrmRt	10.92	NL
PrInII	8.34	NL
PrInIII	7.73	NL
SmCo	17.10	18.00
Wincp	7.44	7.67
WWPP p	1.93	1.93
Shearson Perts:		
AsPrFI	14.23	14.63
ConvT	13.41	13.41
DirVal	13.00	13.00
DynInc	11.28	11.28
Europ	12.78	12.78
GlBdI	15.42	15.42
GlbEq	10.28	10.28
GvSec	9.45	9.45
GrOpp	17.89	17.89
HiInc	10.90	10.90
INVG	11.53	11.53
InfGv	12.13	12.13
Intl	15.95	15.95
MdSc	11.55	11.55
MtgI	29.30	29.30
Optn	15.71	15.71
PrcMt	10.23	10.23
Sectr	13.97	13.97
ST Gl	7.45	7.45
SelEq	11.73	11.73
Strats	17.30	17.30
TxExt	17.26	17.26
UtI	11.86	11.86
ShrmD	7.15	NL
Sit New Beginn:		
Growth	44.88	NL
IncGr	24.47	NL
TxFree	9.66	NL
US Gov	10.73	NL
SkyBal p	10.74	11.17
SkySpE p	13.93	14.49
Smith Barney:		
Equity p	13.65	14.39
GlGvt	12.15	12.66
IncGr p	12.15	12.66
IncRet	9.50	9.64
INTL	12.86	13.47
MdGvt	12.78	13.31
MuCal	12.10	12.60
MuFL	12.39	12.91
MuLtd	8.66	8.99
MuNJ	13.00	13.54
MuNY	12.93	13.47
MuNY	12.39	12.91
SHTSY	4.85	NL
USGvt	13.92	14.49
Utlty p	12.30	12.88
SoGen	16.38	19.10
SoundSh	15.61	NL
SAM SC	18.93	NL
SAM Val	14.12	NL
SCMBF	10.27	10.75
SePlSfk	32.26	32.26
Shearwater Funds:		
AstAl		unavail
CaStk		unavail
GNMA	11.23	11.76
GlHInc	12.72	13.32
USGovt	14.71	15.40
StarbGv	10.49	NL
State BondGr:		
Conn St	8.74	9.18
Divers	9.29	9.75
Prospr	13.01	13.66
TaxExt	10.71	11.21
USGv p	8.19	8.48
St FarmFds:		
Balan	29.31	29.31
Gwth	21.45	21.45
Interm	10.47	10.47
Muni	8.17	8.17
StStreet Rsch:		
Exc	195.96	195.96
Gth	106.69	106.69
Inv	17.53	18.41
Steadman Funds:		
Am Ind	1.49	NL
Assoc	.68	NL
Invest	1.42	NL
Ocean	2.79	NL
Stein Roe Fds:		
Cap Op	23.55	NL
GvtInc	10.31	NL
HYMu	11.71	NL
Income	9.41	NL
IntBd	8.91	NL
InMu	10.88	NL
MdMt	8.94	NL
PrimE	13.04	NL
Special	20.42	NL
Stock	23.71	NL
TotRet	24.80	NL
Strategic Funds:		
Equit	1.85	2.02
Invst	1,491.63	
Silvr	2.59	2.83
StratDv	14.87	NL
Strat Gth	20.11	NL
Strong Funds:		
Advtg	9.98	NL
CmStk	13.24	13.92
Discov	16.79	17.13
GovSc	10.18	NL
Inco	9.24	NL
Invst	19.38	19.38
MuniBd	9.76	NL
Oppty	21.08	21.51
ST Bd	10.05	NL
Total	19.96	20.16
SunAmerica Fds:		
AgGth p	14.17	14.98
BalAs	15.51	15.51
CapAp	12.54	12.54
CvSec p		unavail
GlbTel p	10.73	10.73
EmGr	15.40	15.40
Gblnc	9.66	9.66
Gwth p	13.99	14.83
HiInc	7.94	7.94
HiYld p	9.46	9.93
IncPl	7.70	7.70
TE Inco	12.37	12.99
Util	14.03	14.89
GvIn p	9.95	10.45
USGv	8.90	8.90
TNE Funds:		
AdjUS	7.49	7.72
Balan p	10.38	11.10
Bdinc p	11.84	12.40
GlobG p	12.07	12.64
GrOp p	14.00	14.79
GvSc p	11.58	12.13
Gwth p	10.18	10.89
HiInc p	9.48	9.93
MedT p	14.13	17.05
Princ p	12.53	13.12
RetEq p	7.04	7.53
TxExp p	7.46	7.81
Templeton Group:		
AmerTr	11.37	11.37
CapAcc	10.86	10.86
DevMkt	10.62	10.62
Foran	20.55	21.55
GlbOp	11.28	11.97
Growth	15.63	17.08
Instern	10.56	10.56
RlEst	10.54	11.52
SmalCo	7.77	8.49
Value	10.42	11.29
World	14.34	14.56
ThirdAve	13.29	14.10
Thomson Group:		
EqInA	10.48	11.09
EqInB	10.25	10.85
GwthA	20.43	21.83
IncoA	8.41	8.83
OpprA	19.91	21.07
PremIA	7.17	7.59
SmlGvA	10.00	10.31
TExA	11.61	12.19
USGvA	9.49	9.96
EqInB	10.47	10.47
GblB	10.18	10.18
GwthB	20.59	21.59
IncoB	8.39	8.39
OpprB	19.75	19.75
PremIB	7.10	7.10
SmlGvB	10.01	10.01
TExB	11.61	11.61
USGvB	9.47	9.47
Thornburg Fds:		
IntMu	12.26	12.70
LtdCal	12.35	12.79
LtdGv p	12.41	12.78
LtMu p	12.96	13.53
NM Int	12.37	12.82
Tower Funds:		
CapAp	14.12	14.79
LA Mun	10.62	11.12
US Gv	10.62	11.12
Transamerica:		
CATFA p	10.32	10.83
CapAp p	12.12	12.72
EqGA p	19.99	20.98
GvInc p	8.23	8.44
GrInA p	17.59	12.58
GvSec p	8.15	8.56
IncG p	9.05	9.50
TFBd A	10.77	10.78
TransamericaSpcl:		
BlChp	11.00	11.00
EmGS	19.84	19.84
GvInc	9.69	9.69
GrInB	12.00	12.00
HYTF	9.41	9.41
HiYld	7.62	7.62
NatRs	12.35	12.35
Trinity:		
Bond p	10.55	10.55
Equity p	12.50	12.50
ST Bd p	10.22	10.22
TCU Gv	10.01	10.01
20th Century:		
Bollnv	15.44	NL
Gift	12.91	NL
Grwth	23.91	NL
Heritge	9.16	NL
IntlEq	5.96	NL
LTBnd	97.19	NL
Select	39.20	NL
TxElm	107.72	NL
TxELT	103.72	NL
Ultra	15.75	NL
USGv	95.01	NL
Vista	11.83	NL
USAA Group:		
AgvGr	21.22	NL
CA Bd	10.32	NL
Cornst	18.68	NL
GNMA	10.24	NL
Gold	7.01	NL
Growth	16.89	NL
IncStk	12.94	NL
Inco	12.22	NL
Intl	17.81	NL
NYBd	11.03	NL
TxEH	13.44	NL
TxEI	12.35	NL
TxESh	10.50	NL
VA Bd	10.46	NL
USF&G Funds:		
AxeB p	9.57	10.15
AxeCr p	9.55	10.11
AxeGr p	7.28	7.72
AxeInc p	5.11	5.36
ChnFl p	10.39	10.87
ChnGl p	12.70	13.40
EurEq p	10.56	10.49
GlbOp p	10.55	11.19
OTC S p	17.51	18.58
UST Master:		
Equity	16.23	16.99
Intl	8.33	8.72
IntTE	8.99	9.41
LT TE	9.35	9.79
Mastin	9.25	9.69
ST TE	8.34	8.73
Unified Mgmt:		
Gwth	13.44	NL
Inco	11.07	NL
Indian	11.95	NL
Muni	17.69	NL
Union Inv:		
Balan	10.98	NL
Gr Eq	12.10	NL
IntBd	10.49	NL
VlMom	11.56	NL
United Funds:		
Accm	7.27	7.89
Bond	6.10	6.67
Con Inc	18.65	20.38
GldGv	6.22	6.91
GvSec	11.07	12.30
HiInc II	3.99	4.36
Hi Inc	8.84	9.66
Incom	20.57	22.48
IntGth	6.84	7.50
Muni	7.18	7.50
MuniII	5.13	5.36
NtCol	9.20	10.05
Retire	7.03	7.68
SciEng	13.54	14.80
Vanc	6.02	6.58
Utd Services:		
AllAm	18.57	NL
Euro	4.51	NL
GlbSc	5.21	NL
GldShr	3.34	NL
Growth	6.19	NL
Inco	12.20	NL
RlEst	10.59	NL
US TF	11.52	NL
WldGld	8.85	NL
USBasF	7.93	7.93
USBasG	15.98	15.98
VelFrg	8.78	NL
Value Line Fd:		
Aggrin	7.20	NL
Conv	12.33	NL
Fund	18.98	NL
Incom	7.43	NL
Lev Gr	16.77	NL
NY TE	10.82	NL
Spl Sit	15.05	NL
Tax Ex	10.60	NL
US Gvt	12.59	NL
Van Eck:		
GldRs p	3.53	3.79
Intinv	10.06	10.99
Wldin p	10.02	10.52
WldTr p	14.25	15.12
VanKampen Merr:		
CATF p	16.20	17.14
Gwth p	19.20	20.19
HiYld p	9.89	10.40
InTF p	18.29	19.24
Manlld	15.07	15.85
PA TF	16.44	17.29
ST GIA	9.63	9.93
ST GIB	9.63	9.63
TxFH p	15.38	16.17
USGv p	15.73	16.54
Vance Exchange:		
CapE	152.55	NL
DBst	81.97	NL
Divrs	159.27	NL
EBal	191.21	NL
EqPd	226.44	NL
FdEx	138.41	NL
ScFld	117.14	NL
Vanguard Group:		
AssetA	13.07	NL
BdMkt	9.77	NL
Convrt	10.78	NL
Expl		

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

OTC Consolidated trading for week ended Friday, April 10.

		Sales in 100s	High	Low	Close	Net Chᵍe
A						
A&W Bd	.44	1.2	3631	37⅛	34¼	34½ + ½
ABS	.22	2.2	60	15⅝	14⅞	14⅞ — ⅛
ACC Cp	.16	1.8	357	16½	15⅝	15¾ — ⅛
ADC			3973	29	26	27¼ + ⅞
AEL			290	7⅜	6¾	7½ + ½
AEP			478	11⅜	10	10½ — ½
AESCp	.20i	.6	7406	36	34	35 — ⅛
ARI Net			335	7½	7	7 — ⅜
ASK			10424	16	13⅝	14⅜ — ½
AST			20697	18	15⅝	16¼ — 1
Aames	.03e	.4	2615	9¼	8⅝	8⅝ — ⅛
AgriRi	.10	.8	74	13¾	13	13
Abaxis			3675	8	6½	7⅜ + 1⅛
AbbeyH			5485	12½	10¼	11¾ — 1
AbinaB			44	6¼	5½	5½ — ⅛
Abrams	.20	4.4	5	4½	4½	4½ + ⅛
Accel	.28	3.6	41	7¾	7¾	7¾
AccelHlt			1189	6½	5⅝	6 — ⅛
Acclaim			13478	7¾	6¾	7 — ⅛
Acorn	.28b	2.0	71	14¾	14	14
ACMT A			197	7⅜	6¾	6¾ + ⅛
AcmeSJ	.02e	.1	215	17⅛	16	16¼ — ⅛
ACIARI			95	⅜	⅛	⅛
Acxiom			524	15¾	14	14¾ — ⅛
AdacLb	.04e	1.0	14681	4⅜	3⅝	3⅝ — ⅜
Adobe s			405	5⅝	5¼	5¼ + ⅛
Adoni s			15490	17	15¼	16
Adingrn			1690	9½	9	9½ + ⅛
AdiasV	.16	1.1	514	14⅜	14	14½ + ⅛
AdnaS	.22	.8	84592	49	39¾	39¾ —8
Adtec			310	3⅝	3¼	3⅜
AdvCre			6453	11¼	7⅝	9½ — 2
AdvHil			3225	16¼	13⅜	14½ — 1
AdvRos			420	10	9	9
AdvCirct			1343	9¾	8⅜	8⅞ — ⅛
Advint			5013	9	7½	7⅝ — ⅛
AdvLog			1847	7¼	6¼	6¾ + ⅛
AdMkSv			757	6¾	5⅝	5⅝ — ⅛
AdvPoly			5299	13¾	9⅜	11¼ — 1⅜
AdvPro			4078	7	5⅜	6⅛ — ⅛
AdvSem			292	3⅞	2½	2½ — ⅛
AdvTel			7407	19¾	12	12⅝ — 1⅜
AdvTiss			13879	12⅜	9	12 + ⅛
Advanta	.24	.5	10173	46¼	38¾	43⅜ + 1⅛
AdvBcp			1473	14	13⅛	13½ — ⅛
AdvancInc			2680	21⅜	19⅝	20
Aequitm			464	2⅝	2¼	2⅜ — ⅛
AerSysI			110			
Aerovx			2157	7¾	7⅛	7¼ — ⅛
AfBsh	.40	1.2	812	33⅞	31½	32½ + ⅛
Afrmax			4948	25¾	19¼	20¾ — 1
AgSvcs			240	12⅜	11¼	11¼ — 1
AgencyR			3759	19⅛	9⅜	9⅜ — 9⅛
Agnico g	.20	5.2	573	4¾	3⅝	3⅝ — ⅛
Agnum			1661	15½	13¾	14 + ⅛
AgriDyn			1218	8	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
Ahold	.42i	.9	283	48	46⅞	46⅞ — ⅛
Aicpa			1268	7¾	6⅝	6⅝ — ⅛
Airtran	.24	1.4	1274	18¾	16¼	17¼ — ⅛
Akorn			3109	2¾	1⅜	2⅛ — ⅛
Alsa	1.69e	4.2	3977	41	39⅞	40⅛ — ⅛
Alashn	1.10	5.9	210	18⅝	18	18⅝ + ⅛
Albank			29341	11¾	10⅝	11¼ — ⅛
Alcius			10721	24½	21¼	22⅝ — ⅛
AlexBld	.88	3.5	6297	27½	25	25 — 2
AlexEn s			130	3⅞	3½	3½ — ⅛
AlfaCp	.44	3.3	248	13½	13	13¼ + ⅛
AlkaR			1681	11	10	10¼ — ⅛
Alkrg	.15	.6	112	2½	2½	2½
Alkorn			3870	15½	12¾	15 + 1½
AllASem			179	1¾	1½	1⅝ — ⅛
AllCity			33	7¾	7¾	7¾ — ⅛
AlleghW			448	5⅜	5¼	5¼ — ⅛
AllenGrp	.48	1.5	48	33½	32	32½
Alliminp			851	8½	7⅞	8 — ⅛
AllgnPh			23088	25½	22¾	24½ + 1⅛
AllgEn	.40	4.7	112	8½	8½	8½ + ⅛
AlldCap	1.30e	7.1	354	19½	18¼	18¼ — ⅛
AlldCell	1.13e	4.8	1305	23½	21½	23½ + 1½
AlldCl			2168	31¼	28	31 + 1½
AlldSpe	.44	3.1	478	22	19¼	20¾ — ⅛
AldPhPd			4968	10⅜	8⅝	8⅝ — 1⅛
AlldRsh			342	10½	9	10¼
AllsFn			613	15	12½	13¾ — 1
Alpnty	.32	3.4	197	10½	8	9½ — ⅛
AlpMic			60	2½	2¼	2¼ — ⅛
Alphar			4869	2½	2¼	2½ — ⅛
Alphr wt			243	1½	1⅜	1⅜
AlsLge			3739	11¾	8¾	9 — 2
AltaGlu			1626	1⅜	⅞	1
Altai			183	2⅜	2¼	2⅜
Altean			6902	24½	19¾	22½ + 3
Altera			22223	21¾	19⅝	20⅞ — ⅛
Altron			113	6¾	6	6¼ — ⅛
Amvest			568	3¾	2¾	3 — ⅛
Ambar			1340	4⅜	4	4⅛
AmcarF	.56	3.6	163	16¾	15¾	15¾ — ⅛
Amcon	.64	4.2	220	15⅜	14¾	15¼ + ⅛
AmerDc			378	2¾	1⅞	2 — ⅛
AFFF	1.50	6.3	811	24	23	23¾ — ⅛
AmFPr	1.15	10.6	250	11⅜	10⅝	10⅝ — ⅛
AFTEE	1.00	10.1	228	10	9⅞	9⅞
AFTxE2	.75	9.4	230	8	7½	8 — ⅛
AmerOn			7481	15¼	13½	14 — ⅛
Amswco			4147	12¾	7½	8¼ — 1⅛
AmTcp	1.00	5.1	2778	19¾	17½	19¾ + 2⅛
ABnkr	.60	3.5	2057	17½	16¼	17⅛ — ⅛
AmBiod			2049	14	11	13 — ⅛
AmBiogn			6919	9½	6¾	8⅛ — ⅛
AmBusIn			2280	11¾	11	11¾
AmCity			47	18½	17½	18¼ +1 — ⅛
ACiaim s			2047	11¾	9¾	9¾ — 1
ACoInd	.44	3.4	137	14	13	13
ACons			112	4½	4½	4½ + ⅛
AmEmtl			2093	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
AmEcol			378	24¼	23	23½ — 1
AFilm			2547	3¾	3⅜	3⅜ — ⅛
AFilm	.94	3.5	9477	27½	25¾	26½ + ⅛
AGrInt	.78	1.9	10381	42	39¾	41¾ + ⅛
AHltSv			1475	3⅜	2⅝	3¼ — ⅛
AHlthcp			2745	17⅜	16	16½ + ⅛
AlndFr	.86	1.2	193	7¾	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
AmIntg			541	3⅞	2¾	2¾ — ⅛
AmInPl			2823	3¾	3⅜	3⅜ — 1⅛
AmLck			50	4	4	4
AMS			1302	21¼	18½	19¼ — ⅛
AMedEs			2992	14½	11	13⅜
AMobil			1855	5½	4	4¾ — ⅛
AMInd	1.88	5.2	772	36¼	35¾	36½ + ⅛
ANuclC			98	2½	2¼	2¼
AmNurs			43	1½	1½	1½
AmPac			4948	33½	29¼	31 — 2½
APhyG			111	1⅛	1	1⅛ — ⅛
APwrCv s			28536	35¼	29¼	34¾ — 2¾
ARscr	.18	2.8	1864	7	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
AmRice			288	4	3¾	3¾ — ⅛
ASoft	.28	1.8	6103	16½	15	15⅝ — ⅛
AmSH			540	1¾	1½	1½ — ⅛
AmSupr			1731	16¾	15	16½ + ⅛
ATvCm			13243	58	57½	57½ — ⅛
ATravel			1356	10½	9¾	10¼ + ⅛
AUtiGI s			1578	6⅝	6¼	6⅜ — ⅛
AVans			10	10½	10½	10½ +2
AWood			363	3⅞	3	3 — ⅛
AmAll	.42e	5.6	1881	8	7½	7½ — ⅛
Amerfed	.50	1.5	733	14½	13¾	14¼ — ⅛
Amerwd			160	16	15¾	15¾ — ⅛
Ampan s			1017	28½	25	25 — 2
Amistar			53	3	2½	2½ — ⅛
Amoskg			41	16½	12¾	16¼ — ⅛
Amplcn			15	13¾	12¾	13¾ — ⅛
Amplfy			339	2¾	2⅜	2⅜ — ⅛
AmtcCp s			10226	26¾	21	25¾ — ⅛
Amylin			7496	12¾	9¾	12¼ — ⅛
Aniogic			1494	18⅜	16½	16½ — ⅛
AnalyTc	.20	2.0	53	10¾	10⅜	10⅜ — ⅛
Anaren	.56	3.5	324	15	14	16 — 1½
AnaSpf			1268	8¾	6¾	7¾ — ⅛
Anangel	1.00e	8.4	3633	12¾	11¾	12 — ⅛
Anaren			1112	2⅜	2	2⅛ + ⅛
Anchor s			1834	5¾	4¾	5 + ⅛
AndvBc			744	5¼	4¾	5 + ⅛
AndvTg			147	5½	5	5¼ — ⅛
Andrew			3316	24½	22¾	24¼ + 1⅛
Andrea			2812	19½	18	19 — ⅛
Anergen			763	9½	8	8½ — ⅛
Apertus			1283	7½	7	7½ — ⅛
Apogen	.24	2.3	865	11¾	10¾	11¼ + ⅛
Apollo	.48	1.4	10656	36¼	33½	34¾ — ⅛
AppISou	.01e	.1	663	15¾	15	15 — ⅛
Applebee	.36	.4	3605	17¾	16	17 + ⅛
AqaExtr			668	8	8	8 — ⅛
ARisc			21731	28	26¼	27 — ⅛
ArkBlo			2085	13¾	12½	13 — ⅛
Aprimu			7182	23	18½	22½ + 3½
ArkMf s			10984	19¾	16½	18¾
ArkRSv	.12	.7	1672	18	16¾	16¾ — 2⅜
ArabSh			1670	2¾	2½	2½ — ⅛
Aramd un			1462	41½	33½	40½ +3⅜
Arbor s	.14	.6	1430	22	19¾	21¾ +1⅜
ArchCm			107	10½	9¼	10½ + ⅛
Archive			11677	9⅜	8	8¾ — ⅛
Arctco	.06e	.4	1048	13⅞	13½	13⅝ — ⅛
Arden			16	39	39	39 — 1
Ardnt s	.68	2.5	601	28	26¾	27 — ⅛
Arhch			562	5	4¾	5 — ⅛
ARIX			1150	1	1	1
ArkFrt s			4310	19¾	18¾	20 — ⅛
Armor	.48	4.4	40	11¾	11	11 — 1
ArmsPh			2250	4	3¾	3¾ — ⅛
Arnold s	.56	1.8	589	33	32	32½ — ⅛
ArrowFn	.28i		156	7¾	7¼	7¼ — ⅛
Artel			1614	2¾	2½	2½ — ⅛
Artel wt			584	½	⅜	⅜ — ⅛
ArtSft			9368	25½	20¾	24¾ — ⅛
ArtsGrf s			2108	7¾	6¾	7¼ + ⅛
ArtWay	.40	5.0	6	8	8	8
AspctTl			1577	8⅜	8	8 — ⅛
Aspenbk	.28	3.0	281	7¾	6¾	6¾ + ⅛
Assetm			695	1	⅞	1
AsdBnc	.80	2.5	351	32½	31	31½ — ⅛
AsdCmAs			46	17¾	16½	16½ + ⅛
AsdCmB s			214	18	16¾	16¾ + 1⅛
Astec			921	8¼	7¾	7¾ — ⅛
AstroM	.12	.5	1040	25¼	22½	25¼ +1⅛
Astron			213	3¼	2¾	3 — ⅛
Astrsty			130	4¾	4¼	4¼ — ⅛
Atek			92	3	2¾	2¾ — ⅛
Athena			3371	10½	8½	10¼ +1
Athey			44	4½	4½	4½ — ⅛
Atkinsn			203	8½	7¾	8 — ⅛
Atlntd	.40b	3.9	73	10¼	9¾	10¼ — ⅛
AtlAm			606	1½	1½	1½
AtlSAirs	.48	1.5	4992	32½	30	32½ + ⅛
AtlTele	.08e	.7	5385	12½	10⅜	11¾ — ⅛
Atmel			4091	10	8⅜	8⅝ — ⅛
Atrtch			2088	10	9	9¼ — ⅛
AtwdOc			1700	5¾	5	5
AuBon			2518	19	17½	18½ — ⅛
AuraSy			10696	7	6¼	6¾ — ⅛
AutTrk			24	3	2¾	2¾ — ⅛
AutoInt			1225	4½	4	4¼ + ⅛
Autcom			896	16¾	14	15 — ⅛
Autoclv	.24	2.6	593	9¾	9	9¼ + ⅛
Autodk	.28	1.4	17224	24	20½	24¼ +3¾
AutSec	.23e	7.1	1163	3½	3¼	3¼ — ⅛
Autotr			46	9¾	9¾	9¾ + ⅛
AutoCp			294	11¾	10⅛	10½ — ⅛
Avadisk			2961	4¾	4½	4½ — ⅛
Avndle			767	19	17¾	18¾ + ⅛
Aztar			5473	6¾	6¼	6¼ — ⅛
AztcM	.10b	2.0	2341	5¾	5	5¼
B						
BH Bulk			4	1¼	1¼	1¼ — ⅛
BB&T	.88	3.3	2937	26½	25½	26½ + ⅛
BEI El	.88	.9	269	9½	8½	9 + ⅛
BEI			265	3½	3	3 — ⅛
BF Enl			45	3¼	3¼	3¼ — ⅛
BFS NY			5	3¼	3¼	3¼ — ⅛
BGS	.60a	1.7	165	36	34½	34½ + ⅛
BHA			1133	18½	17¾	17¾ + ⅛
BHA B			15	18½	17½	18½ + 1⅛
BI Inc			1913	7¾	5⅜	6¾ — ⅛
BISYS			4169	11	9¾	10¾ — ⅛
BMC Sft			25716	62¼	54¾	60 +2
BMC Wst			603	10¾	10	10¾ — ⅛
BMJ			54	8¾	7¾	8 — ⅛
BMR Fn			14	½	½	½
BNH			193	3¾	2½	2½ — ⅛
BSB Bcp	.72	3.6	564	21½	20	20 — ⅛
BT Fin	.92	4.1	123	23½	22	22½ + ⅛
BT Snp	.50r	9.8	416	5¼	4¾	5⅛ — ⅛
BTR	.08	4.0	624	2¼	2	2 — ⅛
BTU Int			155	1¾	1⅝	1⅝ — ⅛
BWIP	.12e	.4	4205	28⅜	27¾	27¾ — ⅛
Babcock			2559	21¾	18	20½ — ⅛
Bachlnd			31859	23	13¾	13¾ — 9⅛
BackBay			2306	17¾	15½	17⅛ + ⅛
BaderP	.88	3.4	14	26	23½	23½ — ⅛
BkHa wt			8525	1¾	1¾	1½ — ⅛
BakerJ	.06	.5	2267	13¾	12¾	12¾ + ⅛
BakChm s			154	10	8¾	9⅛ — ⅛
BaldLy	.20	1.0	130	20⅛	20	20 +2
BaldLvB	.20	1.1	887	27¾	26¾	27⅛ + ⅛
BaldPkr			35	14½	13¾	14½ — ⅛
Ballard s			1105	27¾	25¾	31½ — ⅛
BallyGm			2680	23¼	21¼	22½
Baltek			216	9¼	8½	8⅝
BanPanc	.80	3.7	1197	24½	23¾	24½ + ⅛
BkOne pfCl.50		5.4	383	65⅝	64¼	65½ + ⅛
BkMiss	1.00	3.1	399	32	30½	32 — 1⅛
BcpNJ	.48	4.4	31	11⅛	11	11
BancTec			2481	23½	20½	21½ — 1½
BandoM	.88	7.2	26	12¼	11¾	12¼ + ⅛
BkSou			1653	9¾	8¾	8⅝
BkGran	.44	1.6	6728	28	26½	27¼ + ⅛
BankNH			798	10¾	9½	9¾
BkSPed			12	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
BankAfl			186	4	3	3¾ — ⅛
BkWerc	.03e	.2	937	13	12	12¾ — ⅛
Bankrs	.56	2.8	1804	21	19½	21 + ⅛
BnkFst	.14e	2.4	244	6	5¾	5¾ — ⅛
Banta			247	13⅝	12¾	13¾ — ⅛
Bantk			209	15¼	14½	15¼ + ⅛
BkMAm			1201	16¼	15¾	16¼ + ⅛
Banta	.48a	1.8	10478	33½	31¾	33½ +1½
BanvMf			167	¼	⅛	¼
BanvM2			275	⅛		⅛ —

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BanvM3			712	⅜	⅛	⅛ + ⅛
BanvSL2			236	1½	1⅜	1⅜
BanvSL	.40e	8.6	3447	4¾	4¾	4¾
Barefl			1386	18¼	16½	17¾ — ⅜
Barra			27	12¾	11⅜	12⅜ — 1⅛
BarrelRs			1906	4¾	3¾	4⅛ — ⅛
BsTnA			783	4⅜	3⅝	4⅛ — ⅜
BasAm			1280	16¾	15	16¾ + ⅛
BasPir			218	12	10	10¾ + ⅛
BatlFs			838	3¼	3	3⅛
BayVw	.60	3.6	2233	17¾	16¾	16¾ — ⅛
BayBks			4787	28½	26⅛	28½ +1¾
Bayerl			772	½	⅜	⅜ — ⅛
BEAvion			3036	14	12	13¾ — ⅛
BeaqCl s	.28	1.7	1882	18	16	16¾ — ⅛
Beebas	.28e	7.4	255	11	10	10½ — ⅛
BelFuse			4338	9⅝	7¾	9⅝ +1⅛
BeldBlk			7	6¼	5½	5½ — ⅛
BellScp			3058	22	20½	21¼
BellSot			34691	18	16½	17¾
BenLaur			1642	39¼	31¾	34¼ — 4½
Benihan			285	1¾	1⅝	1⅝ — ⅛
Berkley s	.36	1.1	2081	34	32⅜	32½ — 1⅜
BerkGs	1.08	7.0	62	15½	15½	15½ — ⅛
Bertuc s			1602	2¼	1⅞	1⅞
BethBc	.32	2.7	312	12	12	12
BetzLb	1.24	2.5	6731	55¾	53	54½ — ½
BevSys	.17e	1.2	1107	15½	13⅞	14¾ — ⅜
BigSky			3202	7	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
Bindly	.86	.4	3482	16¾	15	15⅜ — 1
BioLog s			75	4½	3¾	4½
BioSpec			2452	22⅜	19½	22½ +3
BioPhar s			1187	29	25½	28¾ — ⅛
Biogen			33828	25½	21¼	22⅝ — 1½
Biomarin			143	16	12	14¼ — ⅛
Biomed			2563	12¾	9⅜	12¾ +2⅜
Biomatr			3272	13	7	7¾ — ⅛
BiMcDy			7157	7¾	7	7¾ — ⅛
Biomrt s			39914	20	16	18⅝ + ⅛
Biomira			3909	15½	14⅜	15⅜ + ⅛
Biopist			1436	3¾	2¾	3¼ — ⅛
Biosen			406	8½	7¾	8 — ⅛
BioTim			4156	11	9¾	10¾ + ⅛
BioTcG			1427	8½	7¾	8 — ⅛
BiteCp	.20	1.2	1628	17¾	16½	17 — ⅛
BirdMd			292	3¾	3⅜	3¾ + ⅛
Birtchr			2452	11¾	9¾	10½ + ⅛
BlkLau			284	3	2¾	2¾ — ⅛
BlocDr			3346	4¾	3¾	4¼ — ⅛
BlckD	.98	1.6	404	57	53½	55½ + ⅛
Boatsn	2.16	5.0	6000	45¾	42¾	43¾ — 1⅛
BoatSys	.28	1.0	5797	29¾	27¾	28¼ — ⅛
BoavDr			1878	7	6¾	7 — ⅛
BonTon			1265	12½	11	11¾ — ⅛
BooleB			172	20	19¼	19½ — ⅛
BoonEl			15	2¾	2¾	2¾ — ⅛
Borlnd	.25e	5.0	44744	5¼	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
BostAc s	.20	1.1	282	19½	18¼	18¾ — ⅛
BostBc	.60	2.3	707	26	25½	25½ — ⅛
BstnDyn			68	2½	2½	2½
BstnFB			1403	5¾	5	5 — ⅛
BostTc			2677	24¾	24	24¾ — ⅛
BotGc			22	14½	14	14½ — ⅛
BrodyW	.56	1.6	615	35½	33¾	34¼ + ⅛
Bronitre			228	6¼	5¾	6 — ⅛
Broids			1858	14½	12¾	13¾ — ⅛
Brond			2766	18½	17	17¾ — ⅛
Brendn	.24	2.7	1	8¾	8¾	8¾ — 1⅛
Brenco	.20	3.3	645	6¾	5¾	6⅛ — ⅛
Brendle			284	3½	3	3⅛ — ⅛
BrdsF s	.12	.6	218	21½	18½	20¾ +1
BrillEn			112	8½	7¾	8 — ⅛
BrillBk			7	6¼	5½	5½ — ⅛
BrillRGd			99			
BurnpS			1258	3½	3½	3½ — ⅛
BurrBr			386	6¾	6	6 — ⅛
BurrH			420	1¾	1½	1½ — ⅛
BusnRc			334	22	21¼	21¾ — ⅛
BuhrMl			248	14¾	12½	12½ — 1⅛
Buttrey			2210	15	14	14 — ⅛
Butler			3026	8	6¾	7 — ⅛
C						
CA Shrt			30	4	4	4
CB&T	.52	3.5	38	15	14	15 — ⅛
CBL Med			4785	6⅜	5½	5⅝ — ⅛
CBL wt			2	1½	1½	1½
CCA			2192	17⅜	14	14⅜ — ⅛
CCB	1.62	3.7	70	44¾	43½	43½
CCC Fm			2522	8¾	8	8
CCNB	.80a	2.6	467	31	30	30½ + ⅛
CCOI			1631	18¾	17¾	18¼ — ⅛
CE Soft			2801	7¼	5¾	7 — ⅛
CEM			348	11½	11	11¼ — ⅛
CFS			170	6¾	5¾	6¼ — ⅛
CFSB Bc	.40	2.2	114	18½	17	18½ + ⅛
CFS Tch			4853	5¾	4½	5¼ — ⅛
CK FSv	.48	3.6	33	13½	13	13¼ + ⅛
CMS Dt			282	2¾	2½	2¾
CNB	.88b	3.5	508	25¾	24¾	25¼ — ⅛
CPAC	.88	2.3	226	39	38	38 — ⅛
CPB			127	25½	24½	24½ — 1
CSF Hld			95	17	15½	17
CSF			262	3¾	3	3¼ — ⅛
CTEC			384	14¾	13¾	13¾ — ⅛
CU Bnc			337	5¼	5	5¼ — ⅛
CabotM			3001	13¾	11⅜	12¾ — ⅛
Cache			723	2¾	2½	2⅝ — ⅛
CACI			3546	5¾	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
CdyS s	1.12r	3.5	3848	32½	30¾	31 — 1⅛
Cadelin			1060	2¾	2½	2½ — ⅛
Cadmus	.20	2.2	383	9½	8¾	9 — ⅛
Caere			602	17¾	15½	16¼ — ⅛
CalGen			259	3¾	3	3¼ — ⅛
Calgene			9399	11¾	9¾	10¾ + ⅛
Calgp pf	2.25	5.9	272	38	33½	38 +3
CalAmp			541	7¾	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
CalBnc	.52	4.9	745	13¾	12¾	13 — ⅛
CalFncl	.40	3.2	893	13	11¾	12¾ — ⅛
CalMD			415	7¾	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
CalMic			6471	10¾	9¼	10¼ + ⅛
CalSBk			13	10¾	10¾	10¾ — ⅛
CalWtr	1.84	6.6	142	29¾	28	28¾ — ⅛
Callon	.36e	19.3	1273	1	1	1
Calowsh			1452	14½	13¾	14 — ⅛
Calmol			2014	16¾	15¾	16¼ — ⅛
Calmtx s			8271	16¾	13½	15⅜ — 1⅛
CamBio			7467	9¾	8¾	8¾ — ⅛
CambNe			1198	8¾	7¾	8 — ⅛
Camdio			4551	13¾	11	13¾ + ⅛
CanE s						

WORLD STOCKS IN REVIEW

The Associated Press-Reuter

Amsterdam

The stock market edged slightly higher with the CBS all-share index closing at 206 points, up from 203.80 points a week earlier.

Volume of equities traded rose to a still-modest 3.1 billion guilders from 2.2 billion the previous week.

Kempen & Co. analysts said they expected moderate volume this week and that the market would remain sensitive to developments in Tokyo.

Frankfurt

Share prices posted modest gains as the DAX spot trend index gained 28.77 points during the week to close at 1,736.07.

Trading on the Frankfurt market was dominated by trends on other markets in the absence of trend-setting financial news in Germany.

Volume on the eight German stock exchanges totaled 32.54 billion Deutsche marks, up from 26.88 billion DM the previous week.

Hong Kong

Share prices closed marginally higher after fluctuating wildly in reaction to the British general election and the performance of the Tokyo exchange.

The Hang Seng index closed at 4,921.11 points, up just 4.41 points from the previous week's finish. Average daily volume was 2.125 billion Hong Kong dollars, up on the previous week's 2.003 billion dollars.

The weakness in Tokyo sent the Hang Seng to its lowest close since late February on Thursday. But share prices soared more than 4 percent in Hong Kong on Friday after the election victory by Britain's Conservative Party.

London

The Conservative victory sent share prices soaring on the London Stock Exchange.

The Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100 Index rose 189.9 points on the week to close at 2,572.60.

On Friday, after it became clear the Conservatives had secured an overall majority, share prices recorded their biggest one-day rise since the recovery from the Black Monday collapse of 1987. The FT-SE 100 soared to a high of 2,601 points in early trading Friday.

Imperial Chemical Industries rose 6.9 percent and Hanson 6.8 percent on the week.

Privatized utilities made impressive gains after the threat of tighter regulation under a Labor government was lifted. BT PLC rose 7.2 percent, PowerGen gained 15.9 percent and Thames Water added 24.6 percent.

Milan

Uncertainty after Italy's inconclusive general election sent share prices lower.

The MIB index lost 16 points or 1.60 percent during the week to close Friday at 986 points.

Volume fell to an average 32 million shares a day from 35 million shares a day.

Paris

Share prices finished higher as the Bourse welcomed the Conservative victory in Britain and shrugged off the weak performance on the Tokyo stock market.

The CAC-40 index gained 1.30 percent during the week to close at 1,974.06 points.

The policy speech by the new prime minister, Pierre Bérégovoy, was generally well received by the market.

Singapore

Share prices finished broadly lower as the Singapore stock exchange took its cue from the jittery Tokyo market.

The Straits Times Industrial Index shed 6.15 points during the week to close at 1,380.92 points.

Volume hit 151.88 million units, down 8.8 percent from the previous week.

Tokyo

Share prices sank to their lowest levels since 1987 as bank stocks, long-considered overpriced, plunged on heavy selling.

The Nikkei index of 225 blue chips lost 709.05 yen, or 3.8 percent, during the week to close Friday at 17,850.66. The broader-based Tokyo Stock Price Index shed 38.09 points to end at 1,282.56.

Volume averaged 299.4 million shares a day, up from 280 million shares the previous week.

The Nikkei lost 10.5 percent during the first four days of trading, but rebounded 1,252.51 yen on Friday on short covering and arbitrage-linked buying.

Despite the late rally, analysts said it may take more time for the market to get out the doldrums since the bank sector problems appear to be lingering.

The market will remain volatile and vulnerable to arbitrage trading unless the volume exceeds 500 million shares a day, analysts said.

Banks were hardest hit. Fuji Bank ended the week at 1,340 yen, down from the previous week's 1,500 yen. Sumitomo Bank fell to 1,340 yen from 1,420 and Mitsubishi Bank to 1,500 from 1,720.

Zurich

The Zurich stock exchange paid more attention to signs of a possible easing in Swiss interest rates than to London or Tokyo.

The Swiss Performance Index ended the week at 1,141.19 points, up from 1,133.79 a week earlier.

Union Bank gained 80 Swiss francs to 3,790, Crédit Suisse put on 40 francs to 1,955 and Swiss Bank Corp. was unchanged at 283 francs.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Saudi Arabia Borrows for Arms Deal

MANAMA, Bahrain (Reuters) — Saudi Arabia is borrowing 10 billion riyals ($2.67 billion) from domestic banks to help pay for its huge al-Yamamah defense deal with Britain, bankers said Sunday.

Bankers and economists in Riyadh said the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency told five domestic banks to participate in the 13-month loan, the kingdom's third sovereign credit during the past year. The money is for the Finance Ministry and will cover the kingdom's last £1.5 billion ($2.6 billion) payment for al-Yamamah, they added.

Prime Minister John Major of Britain said last week that King Fahd had confirmed the payment for the second phase of the deal, which includes the supply of Tornado aircraft from British Aerospace PLC.

Australian Rate Cut Tied to Inflation

CANBERRA (Reuters) — A cut in Australian interest rates is possible if inflation stays low, Prime Minister Paul Keating said.

Mr. Keating, asked by reporters if rates might be cut, said: "It's a possibility. If inflation remains in its current level of subsidence, then there is some prospect that the real interest rate could come back."

Official cash rates were last cut Jan. 8, by 1 percentage point, to about 7.5 percent. The government has predicted that inflation would rise to 3.5 percent in the fiscal year ending in June 1993 from a forecast 2.25 percent rate in fiscal 1991-92.

Daimler-Benz Said to Raise Dividend

HAMBURG, Germany (Reuters) — The weekly news magazine Der Spiegel said Daimler-Benz AG would boost its dividend to 14 Deutsche marks ($8.62) for 1991 from 12 DM in 1990 because of higher earnings.

The magazine, quoting an internal report, said earnings of car unit Mercedes-Benz AG jumped to 610 million DM in 1991 from 320 million DM. Der Spiegel was made available ahead of Monday publication.

Last month, Edzard Reuter, the Daimler management board chairman, said there was a tendency toward paying a higher 1991 dividend. Daimler is expected to publish 1991 results this month.

Keating Gets 10 Years in S&L Case

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Charles Keating, the former owner of Lincoln Savings & Loan and a symbol of the U.S. thrift scandal, was sentenced to 10 years in prison and fined $250,000 for securities fraud.

Mr. Keating was convicted in December on 17 charges of defrauding 25,000 investors out of $268 million through the sale of now-worthless junk bonds. The 10 years imposed Friday was the effective maximum that Superior Court Judge Lance Ito could have levied. Mr. Keating's lawyer, Stephen Neal, said he would appeal the sentence.

Sega to Pay $33 Million Over Patent

LOS ANGELES (Reuters) — Sega Enterprises Ltd., the Japanese video game giant, said it was found guilty of infringing a U.S. inventor's patent and ordered to pay $33 million in damages.

The federal judge in the case has the right to treble the award because jurors ruled Friday that the infringements had been deliberate, a lawyer in the case said. Riley Russell, corporate counsel for Sega, said the company would appeal.

The invention involves a technique for displaying simple color images on a video screen through the use of low-frequency audio signals. It is used in creating background scenes in nearly all video game systems.

Heron Aims to Pacify its Bondholders

By Steven Prokesch
New York Times Service

LONDON — Heron International, struggling with £1.3 billion ($2.3 billion) in debt, will be trying this week to persuade bondholders that it is not at imminent risk of financial collapse.

Investors put the bonds into default last week, meaning that the bondholders could demand immediate repayment. But a Heron spokesman stressed that they will not necessarily do so and that none had made such a request. "Nobody is panicking at this point," said Helmut Reincke, a spokesman for Crédit Suisse, lead manager for most of Heron's bonds.

Lead managers of the bonds plan to meet in Zurich on Monday in an attempt to coordinate their strategy in dealing with Heron, one of Britain's largest companies not listed on the stock exchange.

At the same time, Heron plans to send financial information to bondholders, hoping to calm them and assure them that they will be treated equitably with bank creditors.

Heron, a diversified real estate company with holdings in the United States, Britain and continental Europe, has been hit hard hit by the plunge in American property prices and the recession in Britain.

With about £850 million in bank loans and bonds with a face value of about £450 million, Heron expects the negotiations with creditors to take several months.

Gerald M. Ronson, Heron's chairman and co-founder, surprised lenders and bondholders on March 27, when he announced that he was seeking a meeting to reschedule principal and interest payments. He also suspended trading of Heron's bonds. He met with officials of 82 banks and lead managers of its bond issues earlier this month.

Although the diversified property company's bonds are in default, no investor has demanded immediate repayment.

The five members of the steering committee handling negotiations with Heron on behalf of all the banks include Bank of America and Manufacturers Hanover. Bank of America, National Westminster Bank and Barclays Bank are among Heron's larger lenders.

The plunge in real estate prices caused Heron's net asset value — or its assets minus its liabilities — to sink to about £135 million in the year that ended March 31 from £585 million the previous year. That meant that Heron stood to breach some loan covenants by September.

Heron also had a pretax loss of about £100 million in its latest financial year, the first it has suffered in its 27-year history.

Heron is one of Britain's largest homebuilders. Its other businesses, which are mainly in Britain, include car dealerships, service stations, trucking and warehouses.

In the United States, its office properties include a 50.1 percent interest in Heron Tower, a 144,000-square-foot (13,390-square-meter) building in Manhattan, and Heron Building, a 213,000-square-foot building in Los Angeles. Heron also owns apartment buildings and offices in Texas and about 9,000 acres (3,640 hectares) of land in Sun Valley, Arizona.

Heron was weakened by its disastrous 1980 acquisition of Pima Savings in Tucson, Arizona. Pima rapidly increased its real estate lending in the 1980s but like hundreds of other savings and loans, it fell into deep trouble by the end of the decade.

After swallowing large losses from Pima, Heron itself took over $450 million worth of Pima's foreclosed real estate. Although Heron handed Pima over to regulators in 1990, Heron was still stuck with that real estate.

After significant writedowns in the last two or three years, Heron estimates that its American holdings are worth about $520 million.

Heron says it intend to sell about £1 billion worth of real estate, including most of its American properties, over the next seven years in order to put its financial house in order.

Since March 27, when Heron announced that it had requested the meeting with lenders, it has stressed that it does not face a liquidity crisis and has more than £100 million in cash. It says it could have carried on until the end of 1993, when it would have had to make some large debt repayments but was acting now to deal with its difficulties in an orderly manner.

Fears that lenders might panic and bring about Heron's collapse heightened last week, when most of its bonds, which trade on German, Swiss and Luxembourg exchanges, were put into technical default.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

OTC Consolidated trading for week ended Friday, April 10.

(Continued)

	Sales in 100s	High	Low	Close	Net Chge	
T						
T2 Med s		31413	43½	37	43½ +2½	
TCBC s		1038	17	16½	16¾ — ¼	
TCA	.24	1.9	4375	18¾	17¾	18¼ +½
TCI Int			69	3½	3½	3½ — ½
T Cell			5490	8¾	6¾	7¼ +1¼
TCNG			12280	7¾	6¾	7¾ — ¼
TJ Intl	.42	1.9	330	23½	22	22½ +½
TNT Frt			3397	18¾	16¾	17½ +1¼
TPI En			3321	6¾	6¼	6½ — ¼
TRM Copy			1733	12¾	11¾	12¼ — ¼
TSI Co			8501	8½	7¾	7¾ + ⅛
TSI Inc	.16	1.6	480	10¼	9¼	9¾ — ⅛
TSR	1.00e		209	3¼	2¾	3¼ + ½
TVX Gld			627	2¾	2½	2½ — ⅛
TW Hld			6611	4	3½	4 + ⅛
TakeCr			981	29¾	28½	28½ — 1
Tandon			14935	1¾	¾	1¼ + ⅛
Teadyn wt			401	⅞	¾	¾ — ⅛
Teaole s			24882	31½	25¾	30¼ + 4¼
TelrBc	1.00	3.5	1637	28½	26½	28¼ + ¼
TelrSt	.10t		486	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞
TelrTc			2627	2	1⅞	2 — ⅛
TelrAut	.28	1.5	128	19½	18¾	19½
TelrAvi			4139	14	11½	13¾
TelrBtSo	.84	1.3	7722	64½	61¾	64¼ + ¾
TelrMain s			220	16¼	14¼	14½ — 1¼
TelrteG	.01e	.2	1552	5½	5	5⅛ — ⅛
TeleTc	.06	.4	251	15	13¾	13¾ — ⅛
TelWVg			283	3⅜	3⅛	3⅜ + ⅛
TelrBcs	.48	3.3	384	14¾	13¾	14½ + ⅛
TelrSv			557	10¼	9½	10¼ + ¼
TelrSfv	.32	.6	11624	56¼	51¾	52½ — 1¼
TelrEnt			9851	22	19¾	21¾ + ½
TelrInf	.20	1.4	482	14½	14¼	14¼ — ⅛
TelrAlv	.20	2.5	483	8¾	7¾	8¼ + ⅛
Telrl	.40	3.4	517	18½	17	17¾ + ¼
TelrsBcl	1.76b	4.6	4885	39	34	38¼ + 3¼
Telrstec			2	1⅞	2	2 + ⅛
TelrcD s			41037	19½	15¾	15¾ —2½
TelrSfr s	.05e	.1	11167	40¼	33½	39¼ +1½
TelrTEn			7241	9¾	8¾	8¾ — ⅛
TelrTrl	.06	.4	14728	14½	12¾	14¼ +1⅜
TelrluDS			761	1⅛	⅞	⅞ — ⅛
TelrBCp	.70	2.7	89	28	26	26½ —1½
TelrBnc	.56	5.0	28	11¼	11¼	11¼
TelrLus			2829	11¾	10¾	11¼ + ⅛
TelrDnt s			2455	19	18¼	18¾ — ⅛
Temlto	1.60	4.6	837	36	31	33½ —1½
Tempsh			221	9	8½	8½ — ⅛
Tempcp	.80	2.2	6847	37	35½	36¼ — ¼
TemrltB	.80	5.3	538	15¾	14¾	15
TemrCre			1579	10¾	9¾	10 + ⅛
TemrPrt	.04	.4	2482	9¾	8¾	9¼ — ⅛
TemrMid	.80e	4.8	8227		20½	20½ —1⅛
TemrSav			818	8½	8	8½ + ⅛
TemrlTc			11741	33½	30	33¼ +2¼
TemrCst s			274	6¾	6¾	6¾ — ⅛
TemrMic			7497	30¾	27¼	27¾ — 1¼
TemrSet			67	6½	5¾	5¾ — ⅛
TemrTV			1663	21	17¾	21 +2¾
Temgir			720	6⅛	5¾	5¾ + ⅛
TemrSav			38	2¾	2¾	2¾
TemrGrd			2410	22	21	23 +1¼
Tendwn			442	6½	5⅝	6¼
TenBCA		t	1256	4	3½	3½ — ⅛
TenMed			2956	27½	24¾	25¾ — ¼
TenrTc			5012	12½	10¾	12½ + ⅜
TenTch			8365	1⅜	⅞	1⅛ + ⅛
Tenwst	.12l		2225	23	20¾	21¾ — ⅛
TenBte			813	13¾	12	12½ —1¼
TeprRt pf	.29l	2.9	118		10	10 — ⅛
Teprcun s			2075	17	14	16½ +1⅜
TeprYes			227	5¾	5¼	5¼ — ⅛
TeqAd s	.11	.3	28522	36½	33¾	36 — ¼
TerpLsr			1971	5	4½	4¾ — ⅛
TerpTc			225	7¼	7	7 +1⅛
TerrTc			2223	21½	19¼	21¼ +1
TerpBc	1.88	4.6	223	24	23¼	23¼
TerpTc			2027	16	14½	14¾ — 1
TerpCm			4357	21¼	19	20½ + ½
Tetrbase			12122	28½	24¾	27¼ +2¾
Tetrbran			19	19½	19½	19½ + ½
Tetrlvan			2345	13¾	12¾	13¼ — ⅛
TexAir			1121	5¾	5¼	5¼ — ⅛
TexAmBc			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexBrd			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexCmAir			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexEnSv			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexGas			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexGen			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexInd			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexMar			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexOil			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexPac			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexPet			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexPow			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexSt			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexUtil			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexWtr			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexWst			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexWstn			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexWtr			1771	5	4¾	4¾ — ⅛
TexWtrs						

MONDAY SPORTS

NHL DEAL

After Loss, The Wind Will Decide For Conner

By Angus Phillips
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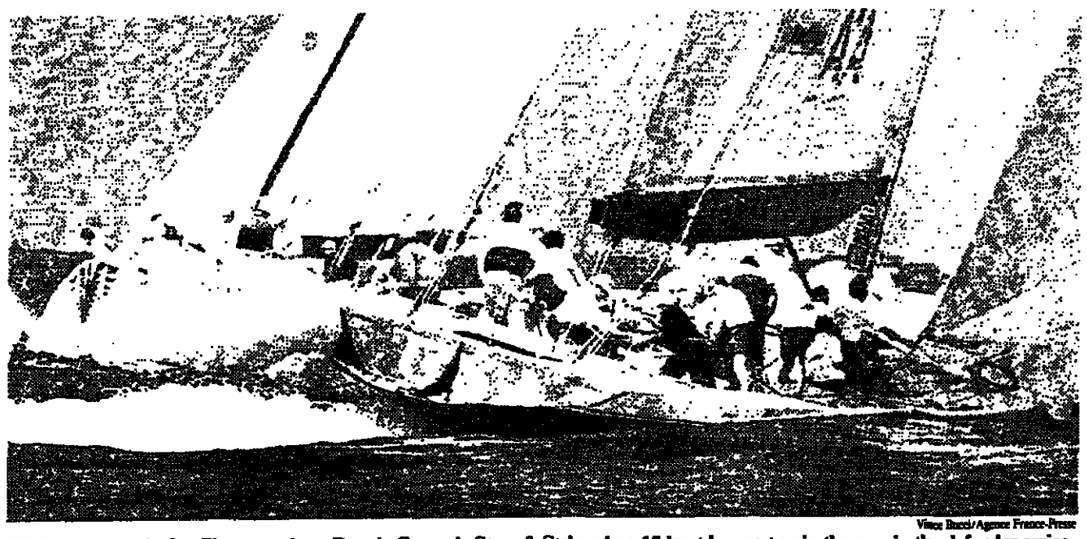
SAN DIEGO — It's all up to the weather gods now.

Dennis Conner had the first of two chances to rumble into the America's Cup defender finals on Saturday, but the winds came up and sent his Stars & Stripes down to defeat.

The loss sends America's most famous skipper on to his last shot, with Bill Koch's Kanza the likely foe for a showdown on the water Monday. If Conner loses, he's out of the game for the first time in 12 years.

It will be a must-win situation for the defending cupholder, after the loss Saturday by Stars & Stripes to Kanza's stablemate, America3. Victory would have catapulted Conner into the two-boat defense finalsm, which begin next Saturday.

But in a firm, building breeze off Point Loma, America3, the quicker of Koch's two cup contenders, strode away from the year-old, war-weary Stars & Stripes to a 44-second victory.



Vince Bucci/Agence France-Presse

Bill Koch's America3 pulling away from Dennis Conner's Stars & Stripes in a 15-knot breeze to win the race in the defender series.

Conner snatched the lead halfway up the first leg in moderate winds and clung to it through the first third of the 20-mile (32.25-kilometer) contest. But with breezes building to 15 knots, a rare freshet for San Diego, the veteran helmsman Buddy Melges squeezed past Conner at the third turning mark and built a comfortable lead for America3.

Conner, who wore a microphone that made his onboard remarks audible to those with access to inhouse video feeds on shore, told his crew as they turned the corner for the downwind run to the finish more than a minute behind: "I don't know what we could have done better. We'll just have to hope for light winds on Monday."

Conner reckoned America3 would beat Kanza easily in their contest on Sunday. If Kanza wins, it eliminates America3 from the finals; if America3 wins, it creates a three-way tie in the elimination round and, under complex rules agreed to before the sailing began, Stars & Stripes and Kanza wind up with the short straws and must race Monday for a spot in the finals.

Koch, the multimillionaire oilman who acknowledges having invested close to $40 million of his own money in the America syndicate effort, has said all along that he hopes to get both his boats in the defender finals. He would use the races as a testing ground for planned improvements before the best U.S. boat advances to the cup finals in May against Italy or New Zealand, the two top challengers.

So Conner and just about everyone else in the sailing world expects Kanza to lose Sunday. Then it's largely up to the weather whether it will be Koch vs. Koch in the best-of-13 finals, or a far more interesting Koch-Conner matchup.

Stars & Stripes is a light-air boat, best in 7 to 8 knots of breeze; Kanza is tilted toward heavier air and rockets along when the breeze gets up to 12 knots.

Of Gains and Compromise: Settlement Ends NHL Strike

By Joe Lapointe
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — After six months of saber-rattling and a 10-day strike, what exactly did the hockey players' union gain in a settlement with team owners that was reached over the weekend?

Plenty. They retained permission to drink fluids on the bench and to use a private rest room during intermission. They get most of the summer off. They got amnesty for the strikers. They kept the right to buy good tickets for most big games.

Seriously? They made management promise not to take away the money the players have always received from selling their pictures to trading-card companies, about $11 million this season. In the larger sense, that issue and this settlement could mark the beginning of a more progressive era for one of the least-enlightened leagues in sports.

"We got our message through loud and clear," said Bob Goodenow, the first-year executive director of the National Hockey League Players Association. "We're here and we're going to be ready to rock and roll. And we are not going to be just lap dogs."

The union gave in on most of its major demands in a new collective bargaining agreement that allowed the regular season to resume Sunday and the Stanley Cup playoffs to begin next weekend.

The owners approved the settlement on Friday night, by a 17-to-7 vote, according to some reports. The players approved it Saturday by a vote of 409 to 61 and returned to practice.

The union made gains in bonus money for playoff games and for individual awards. But it made only marginal improvement in the compensation formula for free-agent mobility.

The players gave in to the demand that the new agreement end after next season, which will leave management with leverage because it can threaten a lockout at the beginning of the 1993-94 season.

"In some areas, we compromised," Goodenow said. "Does that mean there were other areas in which we would have liked to accomplish more? Well, yes, there were. But there will be negotiations in another year and a half."

One change involves the schedule. The players agreed to increase the regular-season schedule from 80 games to 84. The union and management will share in the profits of two games per team per season to be played at neutral sites in North America, Asia or Europe.

The purpose of these games, which will count in the standings, is to test expansion sites and "spread the gospel of this great game," said John A. Ziegler Jr., the NHL's president.

Ziegler, in his 15th season, might have been the biggest winner. He is the most-maligned leader in sports, often faulted for the league's dwindling television exposure and the narrow-mindedness that characterizes the management philosophy of some owners.

During the strike, Ziegler prevailed despite the divisions among his bosses and despite considerable leverage from the players. By walking out before the playoffs, the players jeopardized playoffs that generate $50 million to $100 million in revenue.

After years of saying his business was doing just fine, Ziegler took the stance that his league was in peril and that the players had to help the owners save them from themselves. Some might have believed him.

"We are happy, we are pleased," Ziegler said. "I'm going to get to watch the playoffs. The games are going to go on and, gosh darn it, that's nice."

SCOREBOARD

Major League Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	5	0	1.000	—
New York	4	0	1.000	½
Baltimore	2	3	.400	3
Milwaukee	2	3	.400	3
Boston	1	2	.333	3
Cleveland	1	3	.250	3½
Detroit	0	5	.000	5

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	5	0	1.000	—
Texas	5	1	.833	½
Chicago	3	2	.600	2
Minnesota	3	2	.600	2
Seattle	2	4	.333	3½
California	1	4	.200	4
Kansas City	0	5	.000	5

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Toronto 4, Baltimore 3
New York 7, Detroit 3
Minnesota 7, Texas 1
Seattle 9, Kansas City 3
Milwaukee 5, California 4
Oakland 6, Chicago 5

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montreal	3	2	.600	—
Philadelphia	3	2	.600	—
Pittsburgh	3	2	.600	—
St. Louis	3	3	.500	½
Chicago	2	3	.400	1
New York	2	4	.333	1½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Diego	4	2	.667	—
Atlanta	3	2	.600	½
San Francisco	3	2	.600	½
Houston	2	3	.400	1½
Los Angeles	2	3	.400	1½
Cincinnati	2	4	.333	2

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Montreal 4, New York 0
St. Louis 2, Chicago 1, 11 innings
Pittsburgh 3, Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 5, San Francisco 3
Cincinnati 8, Houston 5
San Diego 8, Los Angeles 3

Saturday's Line Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	002 131 100	—	8 0
Detroit	001 000 000	—	1 4 0

Leary, Guetterman (9) and Nokes; Gullickson, Leiter (5), M.Munoz (8) and Kreuter. W—Leary, 1-0. L—Gullickson, 0-2. HRs—New York, Mattingly (1), Hall (2), Velarde (1), Hayes (1).

Baltimore	000 101 000	—	2 8 0
Toronto	204 001 00x	—	7 13 0

Sutcliffe, Williamson (3), S. Davis (6) and Holles; Morris, MacDonald (8) and Borders. W—Morris, 2-0. L—Sutcliffe, 0-1.

Chicago	006 000 000	0	—6 6 0
Oakland	000 102 111	1	—7 13 1

(10 innings)

Hough, Hernandez (8), Thigpen (8), Leach (10) and Karkovice; Stewart, Parrett (10) and Hemond, Quirk (9). W—Parrett, 2-0. L—Leach, 0-1. HRs—Chicago, Pasqua (1). Oakland, Canseco (2), McGwire (3).

Boston	112 100 000 000 000	0	2—7 14 0
Cleveland	000 120 200 000 000	0	0—5 20 1

(19 innings)

Hesketh, Hay (6), Bolton (7), Harris (7), Fossas (10), Darwin (10), Reardon (14), Gardiner (17) and Pena; Cook, Nichols (3), Power (5), Arnsberg (8), Lilliquist (9), Olin (11), Bell (14) and Alomar. W—Gardiner, 1-0. L—Bell, 0-1. HRs—Boston, Reed (1), Vaughn (2), Naehring (1).

Texas	000 005 002	3	—10 12 1
Minnesota	220 201 000	1	— 8 12 2

(10 innings)

Bohanon, Fireovid (4), Rosenthal (6), Mathews (8), Russell (8), Rogers (10) and Rodriguez; Erickson, Guthrie (6), Willis (6), Wayne (8), Aguilera (9), Edens (10) and Harper. W—Russell, 1-0. L—Aguilera, 0-1. Sv—Rogers (1). HRs—Texas, Palmeiro (1), Rodriguez (1). Minnesota, Munoz (1).

Kansas City	000 000 000	—0	4 0
Seattle	000 000 10x	—1	4 0

Appier, Magnante (8) and Melvin; Johnson and Valle. W—Johnson, 1-0. L—Appier, 0-1. HR—Seattle, O'Brien (2).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	000 010 000	—1	4 0
Chicago	020 000 21x	—5	10 0

DeLeon, McClure (7), Perez (7) and Pagnozzi; Baskie, McElroy (7), and Girardi. W—Baskie, 1-0. L—DeLeon, 0-1. Sv—McElroy (2). HR—St. Louis, Thompson (1).

Montreal	000 400 032	—9	12 0
New York	000 001 001	—2	6 2

De. Martinez, Fassero (8) and Carter. Cerone (8); Cone, Burke (8) and Hundley, Sasser (8). W—De. Martinez, 1-1. L—Cone, 0-1.

Pittsburgh	000 100 002	—4	5 0
Philadelphia	000 401 20x	—7	7 3

Drabek, Batista (7) and LaValliere; Ashby, Jones (7), Williams (9) and Daulton. W—Ashby, 1-0. L—Drabek, 1-1. HRs—Pittsburgh, Bonds (3). Philadelphia, Amaro (2).

San Francisco	100 018 100	—3	6 1
Atlanta	000 000 000	—0	6 1

Swift and McNamara; Bielecki, Berenguer (7), Mercker (8) and Berryhill. W—Swift, 2-0. L—Bielecki, 0-1. HR—San Francisco, Thompson (1).

Cincinnati	000 100 000	—1	6 0
Houston	100 000 01x	—2	9 1

Rijo and Oliver; Portugal, Boever (8), Osuna (8), D. Jones (9) and Taubensee. W—Osuna, 2-0. L—Rijo, 0-2. Sv—D.Jones (1).

Los Angeles	000 011 000	2	—4 8 2
San Diego	000 002 000	1	—3 10 0

(10 innings)

Ke. Gross, Wilson (8), Gott (8), McDowell (9) and Sciascia; Hurst, Myers (8), Melendez (10) and Santiago. W—Melendez, 3-0. L—McDowell, 0-1. HR—Los Angeles, Davis (2).

Japanese Baseball

CENTRAL LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pct.	GB
Hiroshima	4	2	0	.667	—
Yomiuri	4	2	0	.667	—
Hanshin	4	3	0	.571	½
Yakult	4	3	0	.571	½
Chunichi	3	4	0	.429	1½
Taiyo	1	6	0	.143	3½

Saturday's Results

Hiroshima 5, Yakult 1
Hanshin 4, Chunichi 0
Yomiuri 6, Taiyo 4

Sunday's Results

Yomiuri 7, Taiyo 6
Hiroshima 10, Yakult 4
Chunichi 1, Hanshin 0

PACIFIC LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pct.	GB
Kintetsu	4	1	1	.750	—
Lotte	4	3	0	.571	1
Daiei	3	3	0	.500	1½
Nippon Ham	3	3	1	.500	1½
Orix	2	4	0	.333	2½
Seibu	2	4	0	.333	2½

Saturday's Results

Kintetsu 11, Orix 10
Lotte 2, Nippon Ham 1
Daiei 10, Seibu 6

Sunday's Results

Daiei 5, Seibu 3
Kintetsu 7, Orix 0
Nippon Ham 6, Lotte 5

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	49	29	.628	—
x-Boston	47	31	.603	2
New Jersey	37	41	.474	12
Miami	37	42	.468	12½
Philadelphia	33	44	.429	15½
Washington	24	54	.308	25
Orlando	20	58	.256	29

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	64	14	.821	—
x-Cleveland	53	24	.688	10½
x-Detroit	46	32	.590	18
Indiana	38	41	.481	26½
Atlanta	37	41	.474	27
Charlotte	30	47	.390	33½
Milwaukee	30	48	.385	34

To Our Readers:
Because of a computer problem, complete NBA box scores and Major League Baseball linescores for games played Friday were not available.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Utah	51	27	.654	—
x-San Antonio	45	32	.584	5½
Houston	41	37	.526	10
Denver	23	55	.295	28
Dallas	20	58	.256	31
Minnesota	14	63	.182	36½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Portland	55	23	.705	—
x-Golden State	52	26	.667	3
x-Phoenix	50	29	.633	5½
x-Seattle	45	33	.577	10
LA Clippers	44	34	.564	11
LA Lakers	40	37	.519	14½
Sacramento	27	52	.342	28½

x-clinched playoff berth.
y-clinched division title.
z-clinched conference title.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Boston 109, Milwaukee 100
New York 115, Philadelphia 99
New Jersey 118, Cleveland 86
Miami 108, Washington 93
Detroit 125, Charlotte 106
Chicago 108, Indiana 96
Portland 113, Seattle 106

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Utah	26	22	38	17—93
LA Lakers	27	28	22	31—98

K. Malone 10-18 7-10 27, Corbin 8-13 5-5 21; Scott 7-10 4-4 18, Threatt 12-19 0-1 24. Rebounds—Utah 43 (K.Malone 11), Los Angeles 47 (Green 10). Assists—Utah 28 (Stockton 11), Los Angeles 20 (Scott, Threatt 7).

New Jersey	35	17	21	25— 98
Atlanta	28	31	26	33—118

Mills 7-14 2-2 16, Petrovic 9-16 0-0 18, Bowie 4-13 8-12 16; Willis 8-13 6-6 22, Ferrell 8-11 5-7 21. Rebounds—New Jersey 55 (Dudley 12), Atlanta 60 (Willis 15). Assists—New Jersey 22 (Blaylock 10), Atlanta 34 (Robinson 6).

Orlando	28	13	32	28—101
Miami	23	24	27	31—105

Anderson 15-25 1-1 34, Bowie 9-18 2-2 20; Rice 19-32 4-5 46, Edwards 7-13 2-3 16. Rebounds—Orlando 57 (Bowie 10), Miami 55 (Selkaly 12). Assists—Orlando 17 (Skiles, Bowie 5), Miami 26 (Coles 11).

Dallas	27	26	26	22—99
Houston	28	16	32	24—92

McCray 6-8 0-0 13, Hodge 4-8 5-8 13, Blackman 12-22 5-6 30; Olajuwon 8-18 3-5 19, Flavs 8-17 6-6 22. Rebounds—Dallas 52 (McCray 13), Houston 48 (Olajuwon, Thorpe 13). Assists—Dallas 35 (McCray 11), Houston 23 (Olajuwon 6).

Indiana	24	28	24	30—106
Chicago	27	22	33	26—108

Person 7-13 1-2 16, Schrempf 8-10 9-9 25; Pieper 9-20 3-6 21, Jordan 8-20 7-7 23. Rebounds—Indiana 46 (Schrempf 10), Chicago 46 (Grant 7). Assists—Indiana 22 (Schrempf 7), Chicago 31 (Jordan 8).

Minnesota	26	21	21	26— 94
Sacramento	25	29	30	29—114

Richardson 10-17 0-0 21, West 7-9 2-4 16; Simmons 11-15 4-5 26, Tisdale 10-18 1-4 21. Rebounds—Minnesota 63 (Spencer 7), Sacramento 57 (Causwell 11). Assists—Minnesota 23 (Richardson 9), Sacramento 28 (Webb 10).

Denver	22	19	28	19— 88
LA Clippers	35	32	22	33—122

Liberty 7-14 3-3 19, Williams 6-14 5-7 18; Norman 6-9 8-13 20, Smith 10-10 9-10 29. Rebounds—Denver 41 (Liberty 8), Los Angeles 56 (Norman 12). Assists—Denver 20 (Williams, Macon 5), Los Angeles 38 (Grant 13).

Phoenix	25	33	34	33—125
Golden State	28	33	44	27—134

Hornacek 11-15 5-6 28, Majerle 8-14 7-7 24; Mullin 13-19 6-6 33, Hardaway 8-24 2-2 20, Marciulionis 7-11 7-7 21. Rebounds—Phoenix 44 (Perry, Majerle 9), Golden State 56 (Owens, Hill 8). Assists—Phoenix 29 (Johnson 11), Golden State 27 (Hardaway 14).

GOLF

Masters

Results after Saturday's third round of the 56th Masters Tournament played on the 6,905-yard, par 36-36—72 Augusta National Golf Club course. (a-denotes amateur):

Craig Parry	69-66-69—204
Fred Couples	69-67-69—205
Ray Floyd	69-68-69—206
Ian Baker-Finch	70-69-68—207
Nick Price	70-71-67—208
Ian Woosnam	69-66-73—208
Bruce Lietzke	69-72-68—209
Jeff Sluman	65-74-70—209
Ted Schulz	68-69-72—209
Mark O'Meara	74-67-69—210
Nick Faldo	71-72-68—211
Corey Pavin	72-71-68—211
Bernhard Langer	69-73-69—211
Brad Faxon	71-71-69—211
Nolan Henke	70-71-70—211
Craig Stadler	70-71-70—211
Sandy Lyle	72-69-70—211
D. A. Weibring	71-68-72—211
Scott Simpson	70-71-71—212
Davis Love III	68-72-72—212
Seve Ballesteros	75-68-70—213
Dillard Pruitt	75-68-70—213
Mike Hulbert	68-74-71—213
Andrew Magee	73-70-70—213
Rocco Mediate	70-73-70—213
Jack Nicklaus	69-75-69—213
Paul Azinger	70-73-70—213
Jim Gallagher, Jr.	74-68-71—213
Larry Mize	73-69-71—213
Greg Norman	70-70-73—213
Steve Pate	73-71-70—214
Steven Richardson	69-75-70—214
Billy Ray Brown	70-74-70—214
Wayne Grady	68-75-71—214
Ben Crenshaw	72-71-71—214
Billy Mayfair	71-71-72—214
Steve Elkington	69-71-74—214
Hale Irwin	72-70-72—214
Fuzzy Zoeller	71-70-72—214
John Daly	71-71-73—215
John Huston	69-73-73—215
Bruce Fleisher	73-70-72—215
David Peoples	73-71-72—216
John Cook	72-73-71—216
Curtis Strange	73-72-71—216
Colin Montgomerie	72-71-73—216
Bob Glider	72-71-73—216
Lanny Wadkins	65-75-76—216
Jose Maria Olazabal	76-69-72—217
Billy Andrade	73-71-73—217
a-Manny Zerman	70-71-76—217
Blaine McCallister	71-71-76—218
Mark McCumber	72-70-76—218
Fulton Allem	69-71-78—218
Peter Jacobsen	72-70-77—219
Lee Janzen	74-71-74—219
George Archer	74-69-76—219
Tom Watson	73-70-76—219
Tom Purtzer	76-69-75—220
Mark Calcavecchia	73-72-75—220
David Feherty	73-73-77—222
Rodger Davis	77-68-77—222
Tommy Aaron	76-69-77—222

TENNIS

JAPAN OPEN
Men's Singles
Semifinals

Jim Courier (2), U.S., def. Michael Chang, U.S. (4) 6-2, 6-3; Richard Krajicek (6), Netherlands, def. Stefan Edberg (1), Sweden, 6-3, 7-5.

Finals

Jim Courier (2), U.S., def. Richard Krajicek (6), Netherlands, 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 (7-3).

Women's Singles, Finals

Kimiko Date (3), Japan, def. Sabine Appelmans (2), Belgium, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

Doubles Finals

Men

Kelly Jones, and Rick Leach, U.S. (3), def. John Fitzgerald, Australia and Anders Jarryd, Sweden, (1), 6-4, 7-5, 6-3.

Women

Amy Frazier, U.S. and Rika Hiraki, Japan, def. Kimiko Date, Japan, and Stephanie Rehe, U.S. (1), 5-7, 7-6 (7-5), 6-0.

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Singles, Semifinals

Carlos Costa, Spain, def. Alberto Mancini (7), Argentina, 6-3, 6-3; Magnus Gustafsson (8), Sweden, def. Sergi Bruguera (5), Spain, 6-4, 7-6.

CYCLING

Paris-Roubaix

Results Sunday from the 267.5-kilometer (165-mile) race: 1, Gilbert Duclos-Lassalle, France, 6 h. 26 min. 56 sec; 2, Olaf Ludwig, Germany, 34 sec. behind; 3, Johan Capiot, Belgium, 1 min. 22 sec. behind; 4, Peter Pieters, Netherlands; 5, Jean-Claude Colotti, France; 6, Etienne De Wilde, Belgium; 7, Johan Museeuw, Belgium; 8, Nico Verhoeven, Netherlands; 9, Greg LeMond, U.S.; 10, Hendrik Redant, Belgium, all same time.

Leading World cup standings after three races: 1, Ludwig, 51 points; 2, (tie) Sean Kelly, Ireland, 50; Jacky Durand, France, 50; Duclos-Lassalle, 38; 5, Museeuw 37; 6, (tie) Thomas Wegmueller, Switzerland, 35; Moreno Argentin, Italy, 35; 8, Edwig van Hooydonck, Belgium, 31; 9, de Wilde, 28; 10, Verhoeven, 26.

FOOTBALL

WLAF

European Division

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Barcelona	3	1	0	.750	48	55
Frankfurt	2	2	0	.500	72	65
London	1	2	1	.375	78	81

North American East

Orlando	2	1	0	.667	70	43
Montreal	1	2	0	.333	54	60
N.Y.-N.J.	0	3	0	.000	37	50
Ohio	0	3	0	.000	18	58

North American West

Sacramento	3	1	0	.750	71	42
San Antonio	3	1	0	.750	59	56
Birmingham	2	1	1	.625	57	54

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Birmingham 17, London 17
Barcelona 20, Frankfurt 17
San Antonio 23, Sacramento 20, OT

CRICKET

ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL
West Indies v South Africa
Saturday in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad

West Indies 154 (25.5 overs for no wickets)
South Africa 152-9 (43.4 overs)
West Indies won by 10 wickets.

SOCCER

DUTCH FIRST DIVISION

PSV Eindhoven 3, Willem II Tilburg 0
De Graafschap Doetinchem3, Volendam 0
Fortuna Sittard 0, SVV/Dordrecht '90 0
RKC Waalwijk 1, MVV Maastricht 1
FC Groningen 1,Feyenoord Rotterdam 0
FC Utrecht 1,Vitesse Arnhem 1
FC Twente 2, VVV Venlo 1
Sparta Rotterdam 4, Roda JC Kerkrade 0
Ajax Amsterdam 3, FC Den Haag 2

Standings: PSV 52, Ajax 49, Feyenoord 42, Vitesse 37, FC Groningen 36, FC Twente 34, Roda JC 34, RKC 33, FC Utrecht 32, Sparta 31, MVV 29, Willem II 27, FC Volendam 27, SVV/Dordrecht '90 22, Fortuna Sittard 21, Graafschap 20, FC Den Haag 20, VVV 18.

ENGLISH FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal 4, Crystal Palace 1
Aston Villa 1, Liverpool 0
Everton 0, Sheffield United 2
Leeds 3, Chelsea 0
Notts County 1, Coventry 0
Oldham 5, Luton 1
Queens Park Rangers 1, Tottenham 2
Sheffield Wednesday 2, Manchester City 0
West Ham 4, Norwich 0

Standings: Leeds United 72, Manchester United 71, Sheffield Wednesday 67, Arsenal 64, Liverpool 58, Manchester City 58, Aston Villa 54, Crystal Palace 52, Nottingham Forest 51, Sheffield United 50, Wimbledon 49, Chelsea 49, Tottenham 48, Queens Park Rangers 47, Oldham 47, Everton 46, Norwich 44, Southampton 43, Coventry 41, Luton 35, Notts County 34, West Ham 32.

FRENCH FIRST DIVISION

Marseille 0, Montpellier 0
Auxerre 3, Cannes 1
Metz 1, Caen 2
Le Havre 1, Nancy2
St Etienne 1, Lille1
Lens 4, Lyon 2
Nimes 1, Toulon 0
Sochaux 0, Rennes 0
Nantes 1, Monaco 4
Toulouse 3, Paris St. Germain 0

Standings: Marseille 52, Monaco 51, Paris St Germain 45, Auxerre 41, Montpellier 40, Caen 40, Le Havre 37, Lens 35, Lille 35, Nantes 33, Etienne 34, Toulouse 33, Metz 32, Toulon 29, Lyon 29, Nimes 29, Sochaux 28, Cannes 25, Rennes 25, Nancy 23.

GERMAN FIRST DIVISION

Borussia Dortmund 3, Bayern Munich 1
Hansa Rostock 2, Schalke 0
Stuttgarter Kickers 3, Fortuna 1
Karlsruhe SC 1, VfL Bochum 1, Re
Werder Bremen 2, Dynamo Dresden 1
VfB Stuttgart 2, FC Nuremberg 0
Borussia Moench. 1, Eintracht Frankfurt 1
Waltenscheid 7, Hamburg SV 1, Ile
Bayer Leverkusen 3, Kaiserslautern 0
MSV Duisburg 1, FC Cologne 3

Standings: VfB Stuttgart 43, Borussia Dortmund 43, Eintracht Frankfurt 42, Bayer Leverkusen 40, Kaiserslautern 37, FC Nuremberg 36, FC Cologne 35, Werder Bremen 34, Karlsruhe SC 31, Borussia Moench. 31, Schalke 29, Bayern Munich 29, Hansa Rostock 29, MSV Duisburg 28, Hamburg SV 25, 55 Waltenscheid 27, Stuttgarter Kickers 26, Dynamo Dresden 26, VfL Bochum 26, Fortuna Duesseldorf 21.

ITALIAN FIRST DIVISION

Atalanta at Bergamo 4, Fossia 4
Bari 1, Napoli 3
Casilari 1, Genoa 1
Cremonese 1, AC Milan 1
Internazionale of Milan 0, Parma 0
Juventus at Turin 1, Ascoli 0
Lazio at Rome 1, Fiorentina 1
Sampdoria at Genoa 1, AS Roma 1
Verona 1, Torino 2

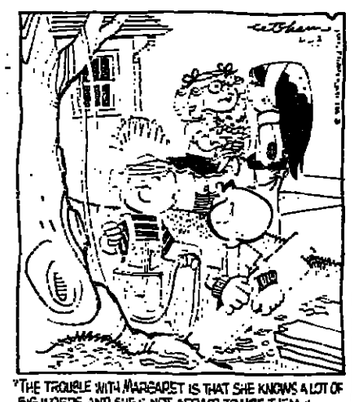
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SPANISH FIRST DIVISION

Albacete 3, Deportivo Coruna 0
Real Burgos 2, Lasranes 0
Real Mallorca 0, Real Madrid 0
Espanol 2, Sporting Gijon 0
Real Sociedad 2, Sevilla 1
Real Oviedo 2, Real Valladolid 1
Atletico Madrid 5, Cadiz 1
Osasuna 2, Tenerife 0
Valencia 1, Barcelona0
Real Zaragoza 1, Athletic Bilbao 0

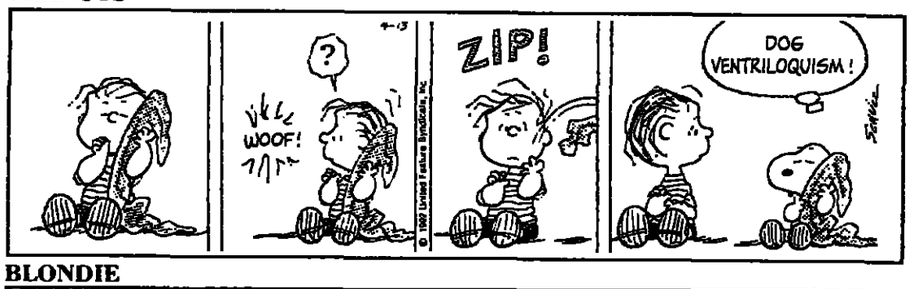
Standings: Real Madrid 44, Barcelona 42, Atletico de Madrid 40, Valencia 36, Albacete 36, Real Sociedad 34, Zaragoza 33, Sporting Gijon 32, Seville 31, Burgos 28, Lasranes 27, Oviedo 27, Osasuna 27, Athletic Bilbao 26, Espanol 24, Tenerife 23, Deportivo Coruna 23, Valladolid 22, Cadiz 21, Mallorca 20.

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THE TROUBLE WITH MARGARET IS THAT SHE KNOWS A LOT OF BIG WORDS AND SHE'S NOT AFRAID TO USE THEM."

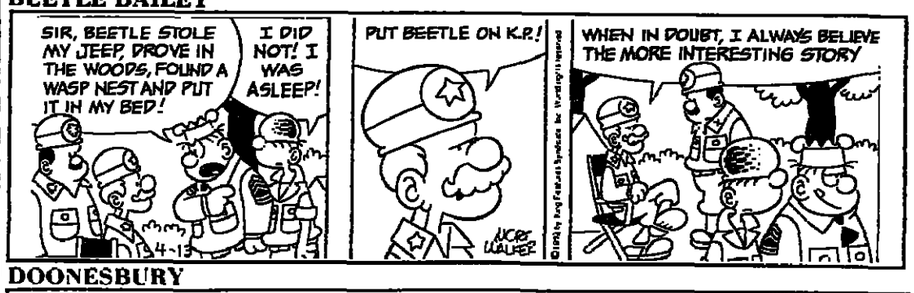
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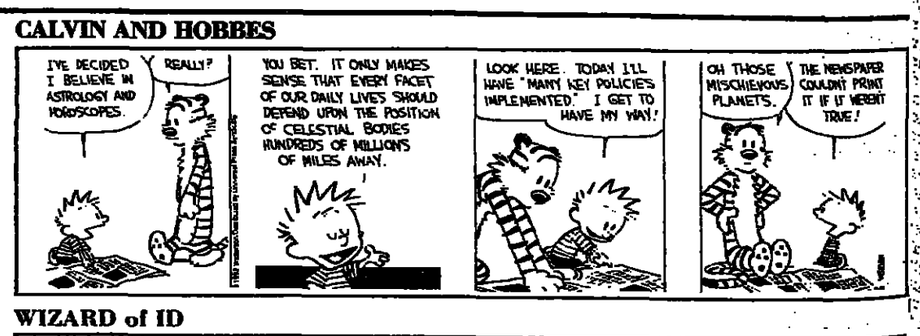
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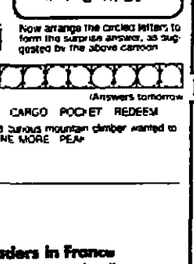
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MONDAY SPORTS

MASTERS GOLF

Young Gives Up No Hits, but Bosox Fall to Indians, 2-1

The Associated Press

Boston's Matt Young pitched eight no-hit innings but lost the game — and official credit for a no-hitter — as Cleveland took advantage of seven walks Sunday for a 2-1 victory in the first game of a doubleheader.

A committee headed by the commissioner changed the rules on qualifications for a no-hitter last season, requiring a pitcher to go at least nine innings.

In 1990, Andy Hawkins of the New York Yankees was credited with a no-hitter when he lost 4-0 to the White Sox at Comiskey Park. But Hawkins's lost his no-hitter when the rule was changed.

The last Boston pitcher to throw a no-hitter was Dave Morehead on Sept. 16, 1965, against Cleveland at Fenway Park.

The complete game was the first for Young since a 2-1 loss to the White Sox while pitching for Seattle on Sept. 23, 1990.

The Indians lost to the Red Sox, 7-5, in 19 innings on Saturday as the two teams combined to use 15 pitchers. Young was not among them. Cleveland had 20 hits.

Cleveland scored single runs in the first and third innings on Sunday. Kenny Lofton led off the first inning with a walk, stole second and third, and scored when shortstop Luis Rivera threw wildly to first on Carlos Baerga's grounder.

Young then walked Mark Lewis and Lofton starting the third inning, and Lewis took third on Glenallen Hill's force out and scored on Baerga's grounder to short.

Yankees 5, Tigers 1: New York remained unbeaten as Mel Hall had two hits in Detroit and drove in three runs. The Yankees are 5-0, their best start since 1988, while the Tigers' 0-6 is their worst since 1959.

Scott Sanderson (2-0) pitched 6⅔ innings for the victory, allowing one run on six hits and three walks. John Habyan finished for his first save. Scott Aldred (0-1) took the sixth straight loss for Tiger starting pitchers. Detroit's starters have an ERA of 9.24.

Once again, the Tiger pitching faltered early. This time, Aldred gave up five runs in 1⅓ innings, walking four and allowing five singles.

Blue Jays 3, Orioles 1: In Toronto, David Wells pitched four-hit ball over seven innings as the undefeated Toronto Blue Jays won their sixth straight.

Wells (1-0) allowed one run, struck out two, walked two and hit a team-record three batters as the Blue Jays continued the best start in club history. Duane Ward replaced Tom Henke to start the ninth and finished for his third save.

Loser Jose Mesa (0-1) pitched 5⅓ innings, allowing two runs on seven hits with four strikeouts and a walk.

■ *In games played Saturday:*

Indians, 7, Red Sox: The two teams decimated their pitching staffs a day before they were to play the only scheduled doubleheader in the majors this year as Tim Naehring, the unlikeliest of heroes, won it with a two-run homer in the 19th, the third of his career and his first ever on the road.

The game was the longest by time in Indians' history, and it was witnessed by 65,813 at Cleveland's home opener. Half the fans had left by the time the game ended, 6 hours, 30 minutes after it began.

It was the longest game in the majors since Milwaukee beat Chicago, 10-9, in 19 innings on May 1.

Mike Gardiner, slated to pitch one of the two games on Sunday, was called upon a day early and got the victory with five strikeouts in three scoreless innings. He was Boston's eighth pitcher.

Athletics 7, White Sox 6: In Oakland, California, Rickey Henderson singled home the winning run with two outs in the 10th and the Athletics, after overcoming a six-run deficit, rallied past Chicago.

Dan Pasqua's grand slam had put Chicago ahead 6-0 in the third inning. Mark McGwire homered for the third straight game and Jose Canseco also connected as Oakland began its comeback.

Blue Jays 7, Orioles 2: Jack Morris won again, pitching seven strong innings in Toronto, as the undefeated Blue Jays defeated Baltimore for their fifth straight victory and the best start in team history. Morris, signed as a free agent to be the staff ace, followed up his victory in Detroit on opening day by limiting the Orioles to two runs on seven hits.

Yankees 8, Tigers 1: Don Mattingly drove in four runs and hit one of New York's four home runs as the undefeated Yankees downed the victoryless Tigers in Detroit. Charlie Hayes, Mel Hall and Randy Velarde also homered for the Yankees, now 4-0 under their new manager, Buck Showalter.

Mariners 1, Royals 0: In Seattle, Randy Johnson pitched a four-hitter for his fourth career shutout, and Pete O'Brien ended an 0-for-18 streak against Kansas City's Kevin Appier with a seventh-inning homer. Johnson struck out 11 and walked two, reaching double digits in strikeouts for the 16th time in his career.

Rangers 10, Twins 8: Kevin Reimer hit a two-run double in the 10th that capped Texas rallies against Scott Erickson and Rick Aguilera in Minneapolis. Erickson blew all but one run of a 6-0, lead but the Twins were still up 7-5 in the ninth. Aguilera allowed Dean Palmer's leadoff double and Ivan Rodriguez's one-out homer to tie it.

Angels 4, Brewers 1: Don Robinson, making his first American League appearance after 14 seasons in the National League, pitched 6⅔ shutout innings for California in Anaheim. Robinson, a 34-year-old right-hander who signed with California as a free agent, won for the first time since July 15, when he was with San Francisco.

AMERICAN LEAGUE



Curtis Compton/The Associated Press

Fred Couples, moving rakes on the second-hole green, used big moves to stay a shot off the lead.

Parry Has One-Shot Lead After Delayed 3d Round

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

AUGUSTA, Georgia — Craig Parry of Australia birdied one of four holes Sunday in the completion of Saturday's suspended third round of the Masters golf tournament to take a one-shot lead over Fred Couples.

Parry, trying to becoming the first Australian to win the Masters, rolled in a 2-foot (60-centimeter) birdie putt on the 17th and had a 69 for a 12-under-par 204 total through three rounds on the Augusta National Golf Club course.

Couples, the leading player in the world this year, birdied his first two holes Sunday and saved par on 17 and 18 for a 69 and a 205 total.

Six players returned to the course Sunday morning to complete their round after play was suspended for darkness Saturday night. The round had been delayed earlier by a 2-hour, 53-minute suspension for rain and lightning.

Ray Floyd, the 49-year-old former champion, birdied the 15th and parred in for a 69 that left him alone in third place at 206.

Ian Woosnam of Wales, the defending champion, who lost the lead with consecutive double bogeys on the fourth and fifth holes on Saturday, resumed play by knocking in a 6-foot birdie putt on the 14th. He then had an 8-foot birdie on 15 and saved par on 18 after catching fairway and greenside bunkers to complete a round of 73 for a 208 total. Woosnam had been the co-leader with Parry after the second round.

Also wrapping up the third round were Ted Schulz (72, 209) and D. A. Weibring (72, 211).

Ian Baker-Finch wrapped up a 69 just before darkness set in on Saturday and was alone in fourth place at 207.

Woosnam's 208 left him tied with Nick Price, who had a 71 on Saturday.

Schulz was tied at 209 with Bruce Lietzke (68) and Jeff Sluman (74).

Officials reported that heavy thunderstorms were expected again on Sunday afternoon.

Although lightning hit the third round on Saturday, the accompanying rain took all the fire out of the Augusta National's greens and brought a bevy of players into contention.

The lowest score among the six players who did not finish on Saturday was Parry, who was 11-under par through 14 holes. He was two strokes ahead of Couples, Floyd and Baker-Finch.

Those who played their way back into contention on Saturday were Price, whose 67 was the lowest score for the round, and Nick Faldo, who had a 68 for a five-under-par total of 211.

"If the leaders get in a running mode, they are going to take off," said a hopeful Faldo, who finished when the leaders had completed only a few holes. "But if they start to think about what they are playing for and where they are, that might slow them down."



Gary Hershorn/Reuters

Craig Parry, after two delays, came back Sunday to take the lead.

Shortly thereafter, the delay was called. When play resumed, the rain undoubtedly made the course easier, as the softened greens became more receptive to aggressive iron play and less fearsome to putt. For several players, the birdies came easier.

"It's no accident that I started making some putts after the rain," said Lietzke, who has particular trouble handling extremely fast greens because he uses a long-shafted putter. "Personally, I hope it rains like hell tonight."

But the delay had an immediate negative effect on the leading twosome at the time, Woosnam and Parry. On their first hole after the delay, the 205-yard (180-meter) fourth, both players made double-bogey 5s. It dropped them both into a tie with Floyd and Couples.

Then on the next hole, the 435-yard, par-4 fifth, Woosnam badly hooked his drive into an unplayable lie and had to go back to the tee hitting three. He eventually made another double bogey to drop to six-under par.

One hole ahead, Floyd and Couples began big moves. On the par-4 sixth, Floyd holed a curling 15-footer from the fringe for a birdie to take the lead at nine-under par.

Then on the seventh, after Floyd had hit a short iron to 10 feet on the short par-4 seventh, Couples dropped his wedge shot into the hole only to see it bounce out a foot away. Both men made their birdies, with Floyd taking a one-shot lead over Couples and two over Parry.

The leading twosome was an amiable pair. They were the leading U.S. team in the recent Ryder Cup. Floyd has been Couples's biggest fan since 1989, when he was the captain of the U.S. team that lost the cup at the Belfry. After Couples lost a vital singles match 1-up, it was Floyd who offered both solace and encouragement.

When play was stopped for the rain, 23 players had finished their third round, and the best of the lot had been Faldo and Corey Pavin, tied at 211 in the clubhouse.

"I was in danger of missing the cut yesterday," said Pavin, last year's PGA leading money-winner. "But that's what can happen at Augusta."

Faldo also was delighted with his round, particularly after struggling over the first two days with his putter.

Bonds Homers to Lead Pirates Past Phils

The Associated Press

Barry Bonds hit his fourth home run of the season and Zane Smith pitched a five-hitter, leading the Pittsburgh Pirates past the Philadelphia Phillies, 6-1, Sunday in Philadelphia.

Bonds homered for the third straight game, a three-run shot in the sixth inning off Terry Mulholland (0-2). Bonds is 5 for 16 lifetime against Mulholland with four home runs and eight RBIs.

Smith (2-0), who won his final four decisions last year, struck out six and walked none. The only run he allowed was Ruben Amaro's third home run of the season in the third inning.

The Pirates scored three runs in the first inning, two of them unearned. Jay Bell singled with one out and Bonds walked with two outs.

Lloyd McClendon followed with an RBI single, and when left fielder Wes Chamberlain's throw sailed over catcher Steve Lake's head, the runners advanced. Mulholland backed up the play and threw to third, but third baseman Dave Hollins mishandled the ball for an error, and both Bonds and McClendon scored.

Expos 8, Mets 2: In New York, Ivan Calderon homered and drove in four runs as Montreal banged around Bret Saberhagen and sent the Mets to their worst start at home since 1962. Not since their first season — during which they lost a record 120 games — have the Mets dropped their first three at home.

Montreal swept the three-game series, outscoring New York 21-4. Last year, the Expos were just 4-14 against New York.

Saberhagen (0-2), the two-time Cy Young winner acquired from Kansas City in a major winter trade, allowed seven runs on six hits in 4⅓ innings. Saberhagen was pounded by St. Louis in his debut with the Mets, giving up seven runs on nine hits and three walks in 2⅓ innings.

Reds 5, Astros 4: Pitcher Tom Browning capped a four-run rally in the fifth inning with a sacrifice fly and Bill Doran drove in three runs in Houston. Browning (2-0) wound up the winner, going 5⅓ innings and giving up three runs. Norm Charlton, the fourth Reds pitcher, worked the ninth for his third save.

Jeff Bagwell led off the Astros' ninth with a home run against Charlton, but the next three batters made outs.

Pete Harnisch (0-2) lost a 3-0 lead in the fifth. The Reds loaded the bases with none out on singles by Glenn Braggs and Paul O'Neill and a walk to Reggie Sanders, and Doran hit a two-run double against his former club.

Cubs 4, Cardinals 2: Hector Villanueva's three-run homer in the seventh powered the Cubs to victory over St. Louis in frigid Wrigley Field. It was 35 degrees Fahrenheit (2 degrees centigrade), and a wind blowing in from center field lowered the chill factor to 15 degrees under a bright, sunny sky.

The Cardinals had taken a 2-1 lead against Greg Maddux (2-0) with Todd Zeile having driven home pitcher Omar Olivares each time. But Olivares (1-1) walked Sammy Sosa to open the seventh and Dwight Smith singled. Villanueva's first home run fought the strong wind and barely made it over the left field basket.

Maddux (2-0) pitched seven-plus innings and gave up nine hits. He walked four and struck out none. Maddux helped his own cause by doubling and scoring the Cubs' first run in the sixth.

■ *In Saturday's games:*

Cubs 5, Cardinals 1: In Chicago, Chuck McElroy tripled to start a two-run seventh and singled to set up another run in the eighth, but more importantly, he pitched 2⅓ perfect innings in relief of the winner, Shawn Boskie. McElroy's hits came in his first two at-bats of the season. Last year, he went 3 for 10 as a rookie.

Expos 9, Mets 2: In New York, Dennis Martinez shut down the Yankees on three hits through seven innings and Arci Cianfrocco hit a rare, three-run single, leading Montreal past the Mets on a wet and cold afternoon.

Giants 3, Braves 0: Bill Swift, acquired by San Francisco from Seattle in the Kevin Mitchell trade, pitched a six-hitter in Atlanta for his second career shutout. Swift struck out a career-high eight and walked two. His only previous shutout came against Kansas City on June 26, 1988.

Phillies 7, Pirates 4: In Philadelphia, Ruben Amaro hit his second home run of the week and Andy Ashby allowed one run and four hits in six innings in his first appearance of the season. Barry Bonds hit his third home run for Pittsburgh.

Astros 2, Reds 1: Hot-hitting Jeff Bagwell drove in the go-ahead run with a two-out single in the eighth in Houston. Bagwell, the 1991 National League Rookie of the Year, is 9 for 21 in five games, a .429 average.

Padres 3, Dodgers 2: Gary Sheffield hit a sacrifice fly off Roger McDowell in the 10th in San Siego, making Jose Melendez the first three-game winner in the major leagues this season.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Montreal Never Trails To Beat Ohio in WLAF

The Associated Press

Anthony Dilweg threw a 14-yard touchdown pass to Reggie Bynum and ran a yard for another score, leading the Montreal Machine to a 31-20 World League of American Football victory Sunday over Ohio Glory.

The Machine (2-2) took the lead 1:32 into the game in Montreal and never trailed. On Ohio's third play from scrimmage, Machine linebacker Reggie McKenzie stepped in front of Lydell Carr, intercepted a pass by Pat O'Hara and returned it 26 yards for a touchdown.

Dilweg, a former Green Bay Packer, threw a touchdown pass to a leaping Bynum at 5:48 of the second quarter to make it 14-0.

Dilweg, who left the game in the third quarter with a bruised right knee, capped a 13-play, 81-yard drive with a one-yard keeper, increasing the lead to 21-0 with 57 seconds left in of the first half.

Orlando 39, New York-New Jersey: In Orlando, Florida, Scott Mitchell threw two touchdowns in the Thunder's 22-point second quarter. Orlando (3-1) capitalized on a league record seven turnovers by the Knights (0-4) to remain atop the North American East division.

Mitchell, on loan from the Miami Dolphins, connected with Grantis Bell on an 8-yarder to give the Thunder a 15-14 lead. He later threw a 48-yard bomb to Dennis Avery that gave the Thunder its biggest lead of the half, 29-14.

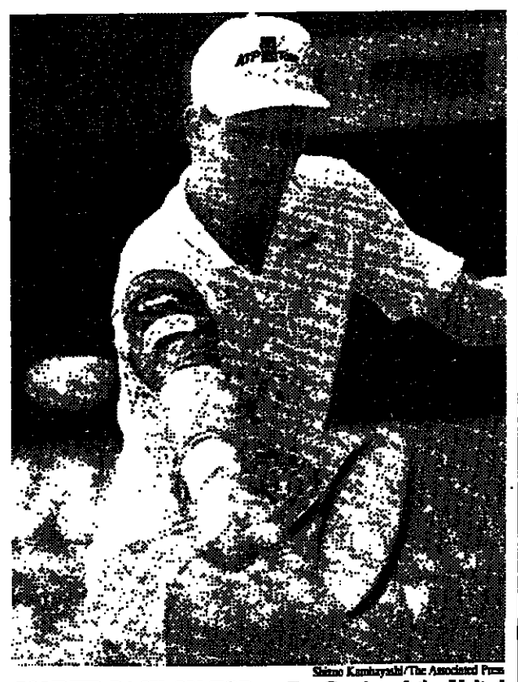
■ *On Saturday:*

San Antonio 23, Sacramento 20: Jim Gallery's 28-yard field goal with 6:12 to play in overtime lifted the Riders over the Surge in Sacramento, California.

Sacramento, entitled to an equal number of overtime possessions by league rules, was stopped on its lone possession in the extra session on Saturday and lost for the first time in four games. The Riders improved to 3-1.

Birmingham 17, London 17: Philip Doyle kicked a 42-yard field goal with two seconds to go in regulation in Wembley England, leading to the first ti in World League history. Doyle's kick capped a 10-point fourth-quarter rally by Birmingham, which improved to 2-1-1.

Barcelona 20, Frankfurt 17: Scott Erney fired a 9-yard touchdown pass to Tony Moss with less than three minutes to play to cap a comeback victory by the Dragons in Frankfurt. Barcelona improved to 3-1 and has sole possession of first place in the European Division. Frankfurt fell to 2-2.



Shino Kambayashi/The Associated Press

COURIER BACK ON TOP — Jim Courier of the United States returning a backhand Sunday to Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands en route to a 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 victory in the Japan Open final. Courier regained the world No. 1 ranking Saturday when Stefan Edberg fell to Krajicek in the semifinals.

SIDELINES

Duclos-Lassalle Wins Paris-Roubaix

ROUBAIX, France (Reuters) — Gilbert Duclos-Lassalle of France, a veteran rider who twice finished second in the prestigious Paris-Roubaix cycling classic, won the event on Sunday.

Duclos-Lassalle, second in 1980 and 1983, beat Olaf Ludwig of Germany by 34 seconds. Belgium's Johan Capiot outsprinted the main bunch to take third place.

"I dedicate the victory to my wife, who came to see me for once," said Duclos-Lassalle, 37, who is usually a lieutenant to Greg LeMond of the United States on the Z team. LeMond took control of the chasing group, taming most of the breakaways after Duclos-Lassalle had launched his decisive move 40 kilometers (24 miles) from the finish of the 267.5-kilometer-race. LeMond finished ninth.

Pistols and Roses Takes Derby Prep

LEXINGTON, Kentucky (NYT) — Long shots ruled the road to the Kentucky Derby on Saturday when Pistols and Roses won the Blue Grass Stakes by the length of his head over Conte Di Savoya, a 70-to-1 shot, and Ecstatic Ride. The favorite, Dance Floor, finished fourth.

The winner, a star of Florida's winter season, ran the mile and an eighth under Jacinto Vasquez in 1:48 flat. The 118th Kentucky Derby will be held May 2 in Louisville. Two years ago, Unbridled ran third in the Blue Grass and first in the Derby; last year, Strike the Gold won both.

This year's early Derby favorite, the great Arazi, was not present Saturday. He was still stabled in France, where he won six of his seven starts last year and where he won his 1992 debut on Tuesday with command. A. P. Indy and Bertrando, who are next in the early rankings, were still on the West Coast, where they ran first and second in the Santa Anita Derby a week ago.

For the Record

James Toney retained his International Boxing Federation middleweight crown with a 12-round unanimous decision over his compatriot Glenn Wolfe in Las Vegas in Saturday. *(Reuters)*

George Foreman, 43, the former world heavyweight champion, knocked down Alex Stewart twice in the second round and held on to win a decision on points in a 10-round nontitle fight in Las Vegas on Saturday. *(AFP)*

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In France, It All Comes Out in the Wash

International Herald Tribune

PARIS — Even in the steamiest novels or juiciest political scandals there are taboos: one does not wash one's dirty linen in public. With some difficulty a French sociologist named Jean-Claude Kaufmann has got 20 couples to do just that and has been suitably rewarded. His book, "La Trame conjugale: analyse du couple par son linge" (published by Nathan), sold out its first printing and is in the window of the smartest bookshop in Saint-Germain-des-Prés.

"Taken separately, each undergarment washed, every lone sock seems minor, but all society is there, forming the

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individual who thinks he or she is controlling them," Kaufmann writes. His study took two years which, he says, may sound like a lot but it took a long time to get people to speak freely on a subject they had ignored or suppressed. Even after the interviews, his pseudonymous couples did not pursue the subject between themselves. "We had a sort of block," said the man Kaufmann calls Léon Goulinec.

Kaufmann and his female researcher, in whom some of the subjects found it easier to confide, conducted in-depth interviews on how couples deal with their dirty laundry. They range from youngsters who blithely set up house without realizing the implications of dirty clothes to Agnès Archambaud, the perfect housewife who does everything without complaint but takes her revenge each morning by waiting until the last minute to iron her husband's shirt, laughing bitterly as she does so, and who keeps "forgetting" to sew the buttons back on.

Sabine Rastignac awakens her husband each morning with the words, "Have you seen this pile of dirty washing?" One's heart may go out to the bleary-eyed Monsieur Rastignac but one wouldn't want to dine in his home. The Rastignacs use napkins only when they have guests and do not wash them afterwards. "They aren't dirty just because someone spat in them once," they say.

"Laundry conceals within its folds the perfect investigatory tool: it is everywhere, all the time," Kaufmann writes. It expresses the basic question of the conjugal construct: what remains of me? What becomes us? Equal sharing of household tasks, he says, is always unequal no matter how good the intention.

When setting up house, some fiercely try to maintain their identities by keeping their dirty clothes separate but since neither has very much are obliged to let them mingle in the machine. Bruno and Nadia Labarthe, aged 24 and 23, keep their laundry on separate chairs by their bed but Bruno worries that this may be impractical, especially when he wishes to sit down.

Some young couples evade the question by continuing to bring their laundry home to Mom. Nadia Labarthe washes only the delicate fabrics, none of which belong to Bruno, while he washes all the rest, some of which belongs to Nadia. Nadia is less tidy than Bruno but is obsessed by toothcleaning, a subject which unfortunately interests Bruno not at all. Still, he has improved: he used to throw chicken bones under the bed.

Kaufmann's major discovery is the primordial role played by men's socks. "The future of the couple is not entirely inscribed in socks, but they involve gestures and interactions and institutions and powers," he writes. In a telephone interview he explained that he cottoned on to



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Jean-Claude Kaufmann: The laundry factor.

the importance of socks by playing and replaying his interview tapes.

"I kept hearing socks, socks, socks. When a woman is annoyed because the man leaves his things around she always says, you might at least put away your socks." What that really means is you *owe* it to me to put away your socks. The line between gift and debt is hard to draw.

"A secondary point is that some men have smelly socks," Kaufmann says, "which adds to the problem." He did not find one man who washed his own socks. Laundry has traditionally been the woman's task, he says, a mold hard to break. "She might have a block about her husband's smelly socks, but what does she do? She just bows her head and presses on." Raising her head might help.

One woman resented her husband's socks for 30 years, which sounds like a Simenon novel. A lot of the book sounds like a novel. Take the simple domestic tragedy of Géraldine and Bernard le Fecht, whose relationship broke down because they bought a washing machine too soon, before their relationship and its division of duties had stabilized.

Nadia and Bruno, on the other hand, waited three years before buying a washing machine (but they live next door to a laundromat), while the Sourisseaus took the step as seriously as they did their marriage vows. But poor feckless Bernard and Géraldine — their machine forced them into a collective life which didn't really exist. They tried washing their laundry separately but failed because there wasn't enough. They tried washing together with each ironing their own clothes which meant that the common household linen never got pressed. Could this marriage be saved? Nope. By the second interview, three months after setting up house they had split.

The sluttish Sabine Rastignac who tortures her waking husband with the sight of dirty laundry and won't wash guests' napkins, has a weird objection to ironing handkerchiefs, the simplest of tasks. Instead she presses them between her bluejeaned thighs until they are flat — a disgusting situation but it might be of help to Ninette Richer-Martin who leaves a trail of dirty hankies on the floor during her frequent head colds. Kaufmann, who teaches graduate students at Rennes and the Sorbonne and is a researcher at the CNRS research institute, wrote previously on household crockery but found he is mining an endless seam in dirty laundry. Role models, sexual stereotypes, the deconstruction of personalities, the importance of the mother all enter in to the sordid contents of the laundry bag. The French, he says, have only recently begun studying the couple while in the United States the subject has passed out of fashion, a pity in the view of social changes of the past 20 years.

In the past decade French men have added 11 minutes a day to the time they spend on household tasks and women have reduced their time by six minutes. But 90 percent of the washing and sewing is done by women who spend 44 hours a week on household work, 36 hours if employed outside, while employed men spend 20 hours a week, including gardening and do-it-yourself.

In Kaufmann's household his wife does all the laundry but he does the cooking and shopping. "We are not far from fifty-fifty," he says. The book made him more critical of some of his wife's habits. "She uses her own spoon to dip into the jam jar even when she has used it for something else, and when she sweeps she leaves the dustpan in the middle of the floor. These things became even more intolerable for me than they had been and I haven't managed to changed her, which shows to what extent habits are ingrained."

And did Kaufmann change when his wife criticized him? "No," he says.

Just as no man washes his smelly socks, so the job of sorting the laundry before washing is traditionally female, he has found. Men don't mind running the washing machine since it is a mechanical task and distances them from soiled clothes, but they dislike putting clean laundry away. The fact that many young couples have few possessions should ease the underlying problems — the Bonifaces only iron their T-shirts in summer, hiding them under sweaters during the winter, the Rizzolinos and the Rocher-Martins share their handkerchiefs, napkins and towels — but the unspoken resentments seethe in Kaufmann's book like soap opera Strindberg.

Still he doesn't find his book a sad one. "I show that life doesn't just happen, that it is more complicated than people realize. It has become hard to form a solid couple these days because there are different demands — made either of oneself or by one's partner — but they can be met."

Would a sort of pre-nuptial laundry contract be a solution?

"Absolutely," Kaufmann said.

LANGUAGE

Campaign Smears and Sophistry

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — "Bill Clinton is good at *sophistry*," sneered Jerry Brown, who surfaces every 16 years to win a few late primaries on the solipsism platform. "It means 'to make the weak word stronger,' " he added to reporters unfamiliar with coverage of a vocabularian. "Look it up."

I did. *Sophistry* means "false argument; fallacious reasoning." It can be extended to "scholarly-sounding deception; the abuse of learning to mislead." Perhaps some dictionary somewhere can be found to back up Brown's meaning, but that sense is not in the history of the word in the Oxford English Dictionary.

The Sophists — the word rooted in the Greek for "wisdom" — were ancient Greeks who imparted instruction for pay. They were often contrasted with the philosophers — rooted in "love of wisdom" — who handed out their learning free of charge. (A modern example of sophistry is a logical-sounding explanation of why a flat tax is less regressive than a progressive tax.)

Candidate Clinton slammed back with several colorful locutions. He accused Brown, who had accused the Clintons of collusion in the awarding of Arkansas legal business, of "jumping on my wife." There was no sexual innuendo to this charge. The Northern dialect equivalent to *jumping on* would be picking on, meaning "harassing, concentrating on unfairly."

Governor Clinton went on to disparage former Governor Brown's populist message by referring to his opponent as a scion of wealth "standing there in your *$1,500 suit.*" A decade ago, we had a spate of usages about a *$400 suit;* more recently, in the trial of the Mafioso John Gotti, that derogation of lavish living was upped to a *$1,500 suit.* (Since attention was called to his sartorial splendor, Brown has been appearing in loud zippered jackets worn by union members.)

According to a Clinton supporter, the governor's wife, Hillary Clinton, took her husband aside just before a debate and told him: "If Jerry Brown goes off on some wild tangent against you, just remind him he's from California and what they say out there is *chill out.* Just tell him to chill out."

Sure enough, as Brown started to inveigh against the Clinton civil rights record, Clinton interrupted cheerfully with "Jerry, chill out! You're from California — chill out. Cool off a little." That became the sound bite used on all the evening news shows the next day.

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Another Clintonism has a more obscure origin: he said on Feb. 15 that he wanted people to see him "working hard, reaching out to them and fighting *until the last dog dies.*"

Philip J. Bergan of New York recalls that his father, the grandson of Irish immigrants in the hard-coal region of northeastern Pennsylvania, would say of neighbors who had been the last to leave a late-night party that "they'd stay *till the last dog was hung.*" Joan Hall at the Dictionary of American Regional English has a citation of *until the last dog was hung* from a 1902 novel, set in Michigan, by Stewart Edward White; she tracks this Northern and Western United States dialect phrase further to a 1721 proverb in the Oxford Dictionary of English Proverbs: "Give a dog an ill name and hang him," which was used to describe the calumny heaped on a political candidate.

We have come full circle. This usage is apparently unrelated to *hangdog,* an adjective originally meaning "abject, cowed" and now also "gloomy, chopfallen." The Clinton use *until the last dog dies* suggests a canine Custer making its last stand, and is an enrichment of the revelers' or loyalists' "stay until the last dog is hung."

An earlier opponent in the primaries of 1992, Paul Tsongas, sought to play on the verb *to pander* by using as a symbol the *panda bear.* The accusation was that Clinton was telling people what they wanted to hear while he, Tsongas, was telling them the harsh truth about capital-gains taxes.

The noun *panda* comes from the Nepalese name for a bamboo-eating bear or raccoon, like the pair Hsing-Hsing and Ling-Ling now sitting in the National Zoo and refusing to procreate.

Pander is an eponymous word, from Pandarus, the name of a sleazy archer in the Trojan War. According to medieval legend used by Chaucer in his poem "Troilus and Criseyde," Pandarus procures Cressida for Troilus; in his play "Troilus and Cressida," Shakespeare reflects the change of a name to a noun: Pandarus, Cressida's uncle, offers her to Troilus, thus: "Let all pitiful goers-between be call'd to the world's end after my name; call them all Panders." The noun then meant "go-between in love affairs," but soon became "pimp." It now means "one who caters to others, thereby exploiting their weaknesses."

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More troublesome to Clinton than the *panda-pander* pun is a sobriquet that has followed him for years: *Slick Willie,* made famous by the bank robber William Sutton. (When asked why he robbed banks, Sutton replied, "Because that's where the money is," an answer of such stunning clarity it is still cited in finance courses.) *Slick,* as well as its variant *sleek,* is rooted in the Greek *leios,* "smooth," and has two connotations: "well-groomed" and "slippery." A politician worries about the latter.

"Some of my critics say that I'm slick," said Clinton, taking the charge head on and turning it against his primary opponent's flat-tax proposal. "I'll tell you what: If anybody can pull this proposal over the eyes of the voters of New York, they'll be the slickest politicians to ever come along. . . . We can grease the wheels of the Long Island Rail Road from now to kingdom come with the slickness it would take to shove this down the throats of the American people."

The Democratic national chairman, Ronald H. Brown, deplored what he called Jerry Brown's "scorched earth policy" of launching verbal attacks on Clinton's character and record. "Scorched earth" was popularized by reports of Stalin's call to his armies in World War II to leave no grain or supplies intact for the invading Germans. It was first used in the Sino-Japanese war in the 1930s; the Chinese word *zhengce* means "scorched earth," and the first citation in the OED Supplement is from a London Times story in 1937: "The populace . . . are still disturbed . . . by wild rumors of a 'scorched earth policy' of burning the city before the Japanese enter."

And the campaign has only just begun. (A *solipsism,* by the way, is an example of extreme self-absorption. A *solipsist* believes that his self is the most important thing of all; this belief often fuels the "fire in the belly" that drives politicians to great heights or to scorched-earth policies.)

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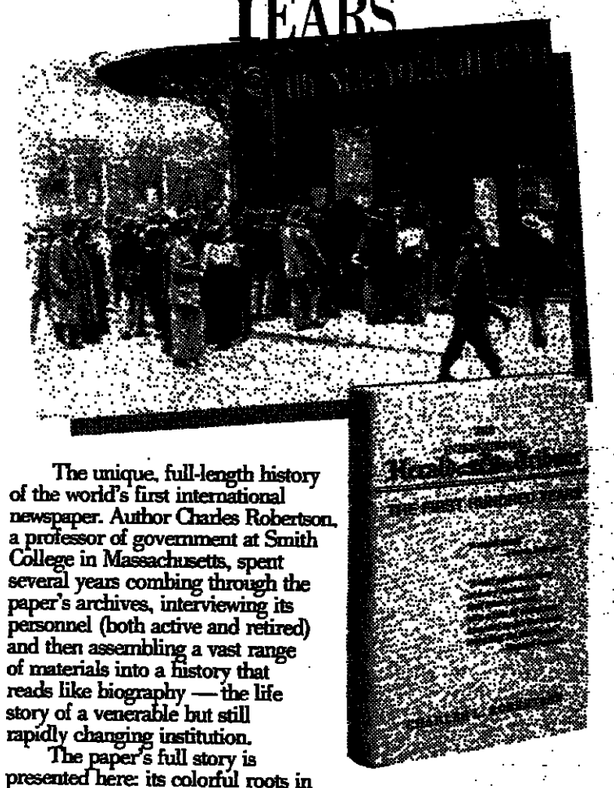
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